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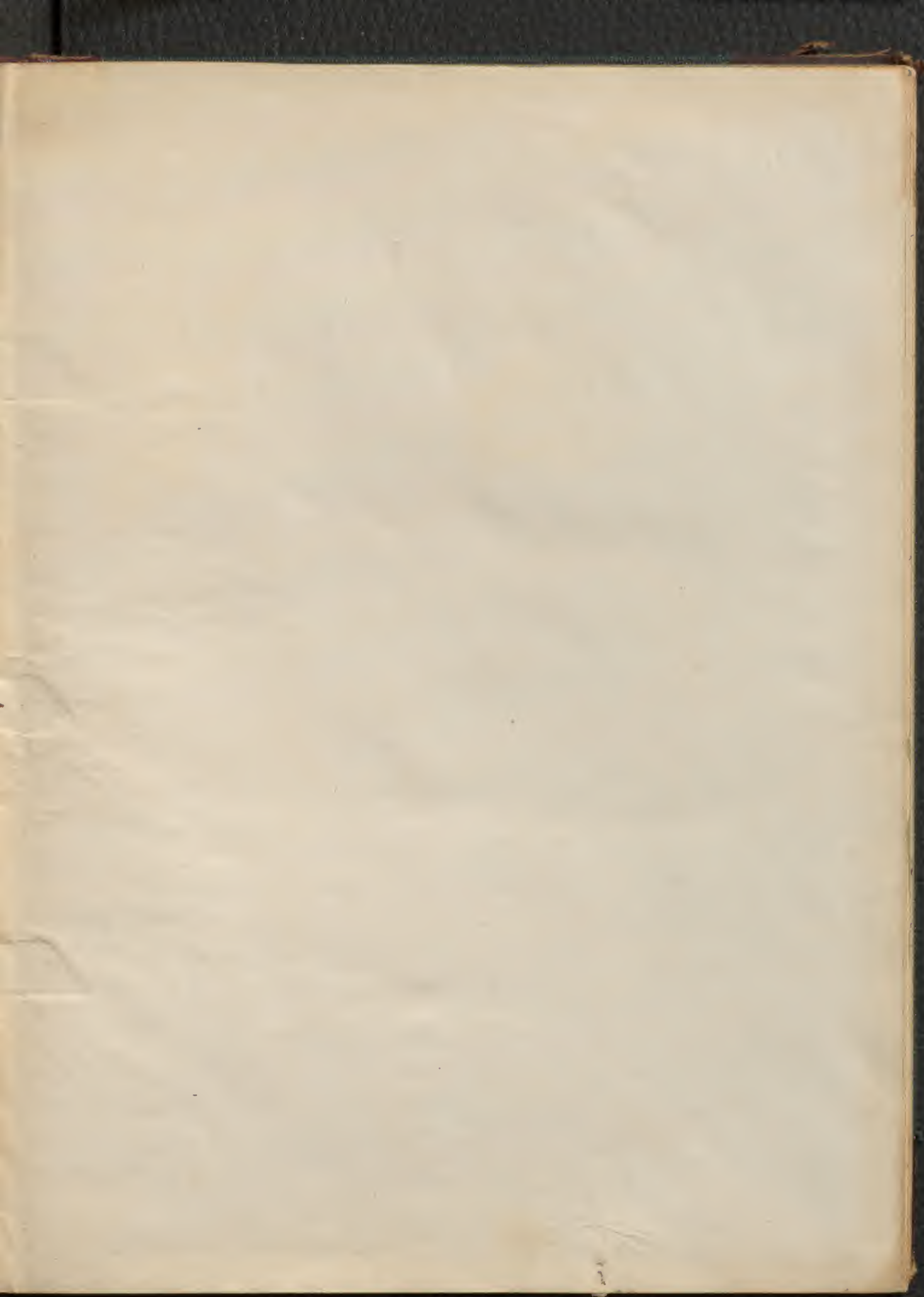


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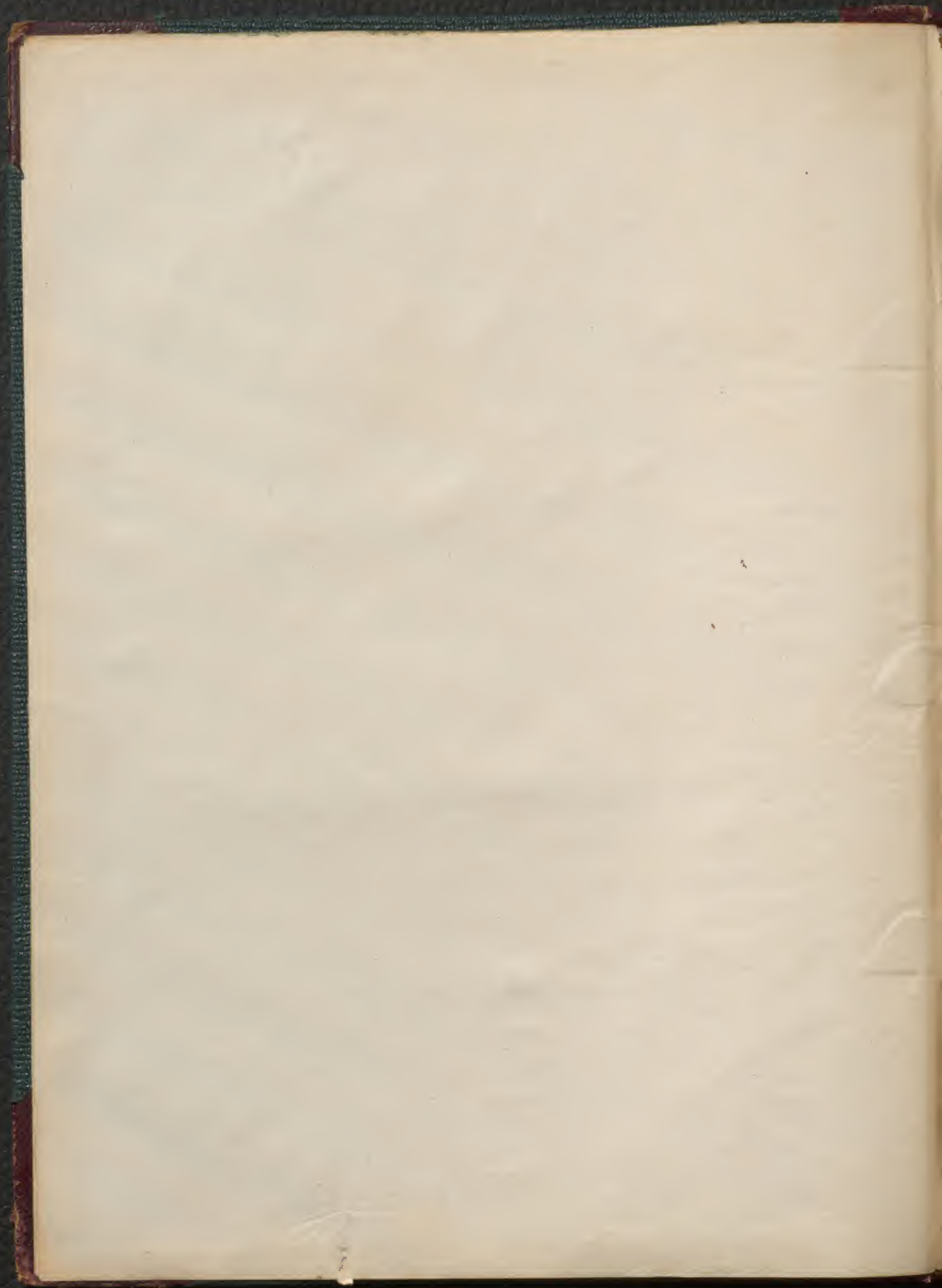
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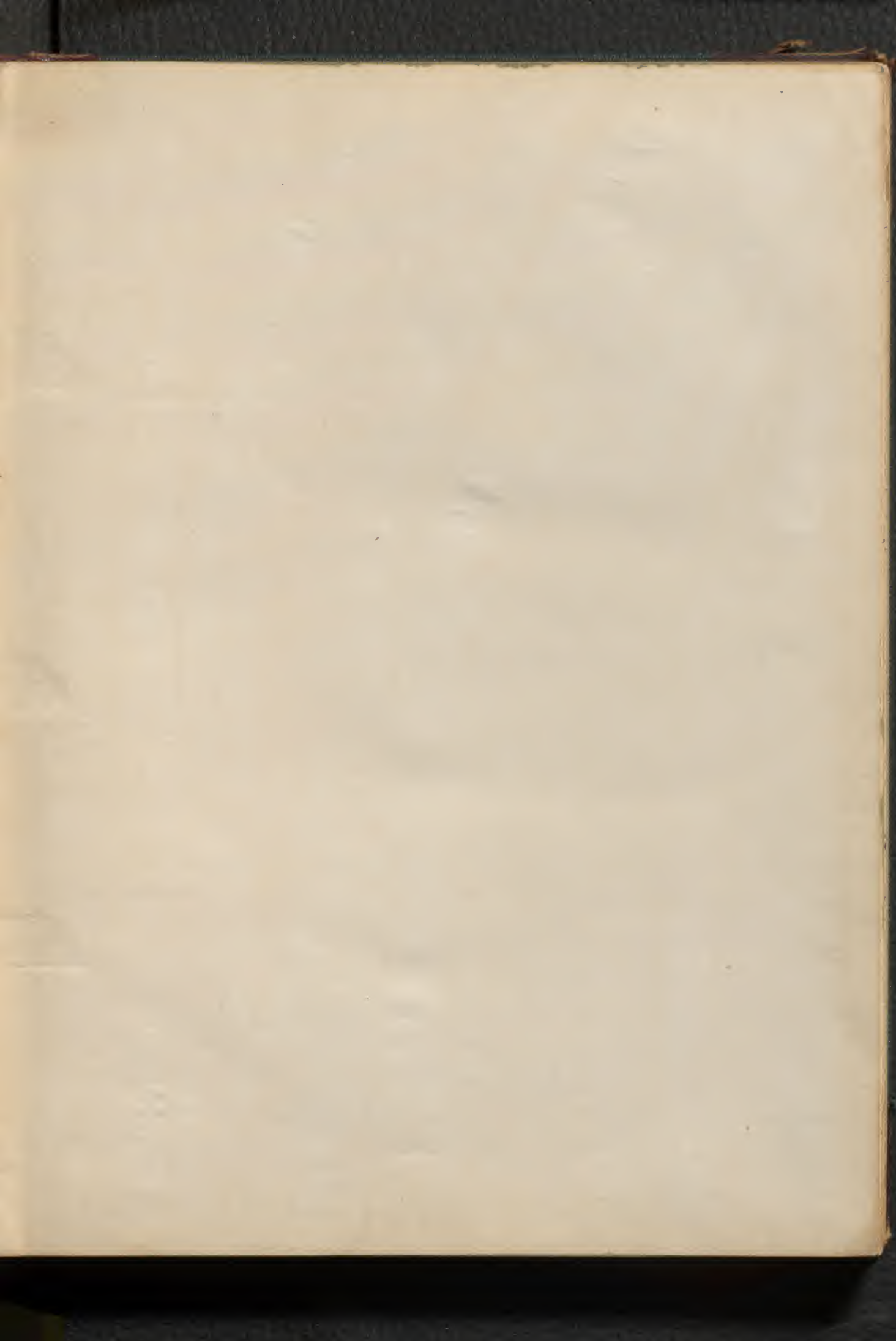




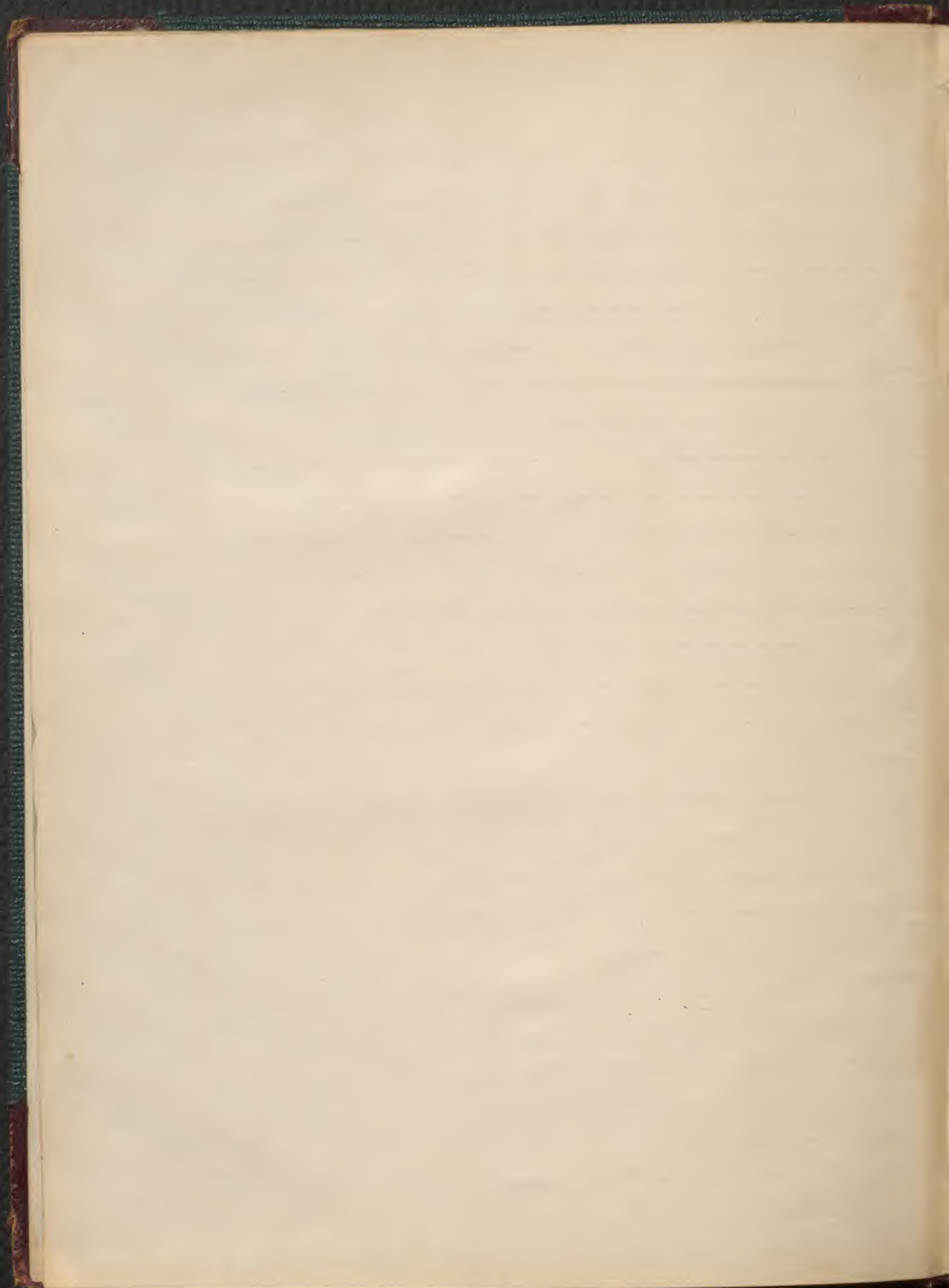














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Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February - The intense cold weather, continues, this morning, 19 degrees - we have not had our mail, since Tuesday evening - no train, from Montreal, all Wednesday & Thursday, we expect our mail, late this evening - the roads, in the Loisroute's, almost impassable, the accumulation of snow - fearful - Henri does not feel very well, he has a cold, and he feels gouty - he took an additional pill, this morning he says, if he had not done so, he would have been ill, the pains, he felt yesterday, about the shoulders & back, have disappeared, no doubt, he has taken cold - he is not, always prudent - after luncheon, Caro went out for a drive, with Willie - she returned, looking pale & fatigued - since yesterday, she takes port-wine, twice a day - she is yet, so weak & languid! - Willie went out snow shoeing this morning - Mr le Curé returned from St Alexander this afternoon - did not venture, to go to town - we all, have the Influenza, Henri, Willie, Caro & I - it is so annoying - makes one, unfit, for any thing -



Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb - Snow in the morning windy & disagreeable, cleared up in the forenoon, the sun came out - Willie went to Cambridge to Bedford, he ~~was~~ was away, the greatest part of the day - Henri has not been well, since some days - he took again a 2<sup>d</sup> pill this morning, he says, he feels, the gouty pains he had about his neck & shoulders have left him he is looking, pale, haggard - he has not breathed fresh air, since Thursday - it puts him, out, when he cannot get air, every day - to night he takes no pill - my own dear Caro, has had such a fearful head-ache! I never saw her suffer, so much - it was really dreadful - such a nervous head-ache! Nothing gave her relief - she was much agitated, all night - Madame, slept in her room - I am so grieved & anxious, when I see her, in such a state of weakness & pain! God! grant, she may soon rally & regain strength & health - I believe Marie de Dieu, escape mes prieres! Dr Bingham came

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb. Mild & cloudy, a great number of people at church - Henri & Caro remained at home - Henri better, still, not well enough, to go out - dear Caro, very weak & worse, after such a night - of pain & constant suffering - she is looking miserable, to-day - it breaks



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My heart to look at her! dear dear child! how pale, & altered! during vesper - she went to bed, not to sleep - but to rest, she felt, tired languid - her head is much better - she says, she does, not think, she will have a return of those atrocious pains, in her head, for the present, at least - she got up, for dinner - looking a shade better - very kind, & charming this afternoon, but she went on at night - call - after vesper - I feel very low spirited - I am so anxious, about my dear child!

Willie came to town - & returned this morning - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb - very mild & pleasant - South wind - Willie went to town this morning, early - returns to-night - dear Caro is much altered, weak & languid - she has been lying on the sofa - the whole day - I hope she will be able get out to-morrow - Willie will give her drive - she requires fresh air & exercise - I feel, so upset, to see her in that weak state - how I do long, to see her rally, & regain her strength - Aunt is better, but did not go out to-day on account, of his cold - he still coughs - reads very much - Cabots & Fente's - Willie returned this evening at 7 o'clock - it is raining to-night -



Put up two telegraph bells.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb - lovely spring weather, a bright sun  
so mild, soft & balmy - Henri coughed, a good  
deal during the night, he has a severe Influenza  
Dear Caro is still very weak - she went out  
for a drive, this morning - I am really  
anxious, to see her so weak so long -  
there, must be change, very soon - Harris  
& fresh air - will do her good - Willie has  
the Influenza, in full earnest - the snow  
is melting fast - the hydraulic ram, has ceased  
to operate - I fancy, it is frozen, in some  
place or other, they are busy, digging, to find  
out, the mischief - we are in hopes, it will be  
all right to-morrow - Dr B. bought us, two telegraph  
bells - one for the front door - & the other for  
the table - Caro commences, to take iron  
this afternoon - the Dr. says, she will soon  
be restored to health - tonics & fresh air -  
are, what she requires -

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb - quite spring like weather -  
rough, snow, disappearing fast - the roads  
very slippery - in some places - fields, bare,  
the garden in many places, quite bare -  
Henri went out driving with Caro - I went  
in another direction, to visit a sick woman -  
Lambert drove me - Henri had a most severe



attacks of Influenza - I have never seen the like -  
I fear, he has a bad night before him -  
Dear Caro is still weak & languid -  
Willie has a fearful cold in his head - he  
is very unwell, with it - nevertheless, he is  
always on the go - he only returned, for  
dinner to - day - exploring in all directions  
to detect, thieves - one of them was taken  
yesterday - he is in close confinement -  
to - morrow - he will undergo his trial -  
the dam, in full operation - the water  
in the river, commencing, to rise - the grist  
mill - has lots of work -

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb - very mild & cloudy - not  
so pleasant as yesterday - Henri passed a bad  
night, coughed - fearfully - notwithstanding, he  
was obliged to go to Bedford, this morning  
with Willie, about the prisoner - they only  
returned, at 3 o'clock - took a late luncheon - they  
had success - the prisoner, was condemned to go  
to jail - so much for stealing lumber -  
at 4 p.m. - Caro went out for a drive with  
Willie - she was delighted - enjoyed her drive -  
Henri takes a blue pill to - night - he coughs  
& feels, his liver, is sluggish -

blue pill



Mr. Pere Boyer arrived -  
Messire Poutine came

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb - rather colder to day, roads broken  
up, bad - Henri coughed a great deal last night -  
he is quite upset by this severe attack of  
Grippe - he has now been coughing, since  
some time - the blue pill, he took last night,  
did, his general health good - but, he coughs, as  
much, as ever - he remained indoors all day  
Mr. Pere Boyer, arrived this afternoon - he has  
come to preach the Novena, which, commences  
to-morrow - Willie drove out Caro - she found  
the roads bad - still she enjoyed her drive -  
Messire Poutine, arrived to night - by the stage

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb - 1<sup>re</sup> jour de la Neuvaine St. H. -  
Cold & bright, windy, roads frozen, consequently  
improved - This morning at 1/2 past 9, V. O. C. - Commenced  
le Saint temps de la Neuvaine, with us - a good many  
people, not, as many, as will come to-morrow -  
le Mr. Pere Boyer, made a most eloquent discourse,  
sur la possibilité du salut, etc. but, he preached,  
well; he is so graphic, his voice good, he is  
entraining - I had time, exceedingly, he was  
listened to, with such deep interest, & silence it  
was admirable - poor Henri was deprived of  
attending, he passed an awful night, coughing  
incessantly, his chest, felt sore, from such  
constant coughing - it was painful to hear him -  
Caro came to church, this morning - felt too



fatigue, to return this afternoon — P. M. — was again, very interesting, & so instructive — it was l'Examen de Conscience — it was perfect — he will continue that instruction, every afternoon, during Vespera — M<sup>rs</sup> Poulin, sang 'Salut', — the Curé sang, from the organ — a great many people <sup>attended</sup> this afternoon — Caro says, she feels better — God! grant, she may soon, recover, her strength —

Messrs Sisorey & Lambert — came

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb — Rain in the morning — cleared up in the afternoon — very mild — a dense crowd, at church to-day — both this morning & afternoon — Henri coughed a great deal during the night, bathed his feet — & put on a liniment on his chest — the old lady, friction with a waste towel, would have been, just as good — James & H<sup>rs</sup> arrived, late for Mass — Whenever, H<sup>rs</sup> played the organ — for a part of the ceremony — M. P. Royer — preached, admirably, 'l'homme mortel', he was very eloquent — the audience, was so attentive! — & much affected, by his feeling sermon — this afternoon, he again, preached, the subject, was Sur la foi — he was grand — he certainly preached — remarkably well — Caro came to grand' messe — she is still weak — she did not come to church, this afternoon — St Bingham came, he has presented, differently for her — Messrs Sisorey & Lambert, came this afternoon, to assist the Curé — there was a number of persons at church — going to their Confession — — —



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Collected up

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Feb - gloomy, cloudy, a strong West  
wind, disagreeable - a great many people  
attend the service - it is very edifying -  
Mr. Pere Thoyer - continues to preach, admirably  
this morning, sur le pechie d'impurete - this  
afternoon, he continued Meditation de Conscience -  
he is very interesting - very instructive -  
he is much liked - Caro came to Mass -  
G. Whittier left - after Mass - he kindly remained  
to play the organ - Caro says, she is a  
little better - I cannot say, I yet find, much  
improvement - God! grant, she may soon, regain  
strength - Messire Letour - left this afternoon  
to return on Wednesday - I walked to & from  
Church, to - Day - I prepared it - Henri, still  
coughs - a great deal - he is deprived of  
coming to hear, these beautiful sermons -  
how much I regret it - he coughed - very  
much during the night - Mr. Pere & Caro  
played Whist, against Messire Lambert & James -  
Messire Pontin & Willie played - on pinnet,  
enjoyed it very much -



1864

Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March — very mild & pleasant — frost in the morning, making the roads, very fair — an immense concourse of people, continued to attend church every day — the Rev. Vere — preached on Temperance — this morning — it a tone — this afternoon — he spoke on the worth of Joseph, which, we commenced to — Ray — after, which, he continued, Sermon de Conscience, this morning early, I wrote to Dr. Wigham, to come up to see Henri who, had passed a very bad night — having coughed, fearfully — complained of a pain in his side — would not lie, on his back — had much difficulty, to expectorate — the Dr. came, & said, Henri only required, to take a blue pill to — night & 2 teaspoonful of Paragonia in a wine glass of linseed tea — at bed — time — & repeat, the dose, in the ~~evening~~ course of the night, if, needed — in the morning  $\frac{1}{2}$  a lithiate powder — as for Caro — the prescribed air, nothing to fatigue her, to wear out her strength — to take iron, & friction her back — a between her shoulders — with the hand & a coarse towel — this afternoon — Caro out, for a drive with Willie — I fear, she took too long a drive — she is fatigued, this evening — Henri is a shade better this evening —

blue pill



Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Cloudy, Windy, Disagreeable,  
 still, it is a splendid weather, for the people  
 who attend Church, in such numbers - The  
 frost, in the morning, gives, very fair  
 sleighing - There is a little better, to-day -  
 the blue pill & paragonis he took last night  
 have done, some good - he intends to  
 take more paragonis to-night - Caro  
 is a shade better, she coughs, now & then  
 she went to Church, twice to-day -  
 the Pere - was as usual, most interesting  
 this morning, he preached, sur le Combat  
 des Tentations; this afternoon, l'Examen  
 de Conscience - was continued - so very  
 instructive; a blue pill & paragonis to-night -

a blue pill

Missie desoroy came & left  
 Missie rather lame

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, windy, rather cool, a  
 bright sun - a dense crowd every day, at  
 Novena - the Mr. Pere, continued to preach -  
 admirably - This morning, it was, sur  
 la Positivité de Dieu, in the afternoon, l'Examen  
 as usual - There is a rather better night  
 last night - he feels better, to-day -  
 this morning James, went to receive - he  
 returned quite fatigued & ill - with the Lumbago  
 pains all over - he had to come up to his  
 room, go to bed, & remain quiet, took nothing  
 but tea & toast - This evening he is feverish -



Mrs. Sidney came, during Mass - & left after the  
afternoon service - Miss Pether came - to dine  
& spend the evening - he leaves, early in the  
morning - dear Caro - is not progressing fast -  
she looks thin & weak - I am ~~convinced~~, about  
her -

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March - lovely spring weather -  
a great many people at church - Fanny coughed  
a great deal during the night - I have never seen  
her, have such a tedious, tedious cough -  
he only took, his great pill, last night & some  
troches - James, is not better, he sent for  
Dr. Brigham, who came & prescribed - he has taken  
a powder, feels pains, in his back - can hardly  
move, in his bed - the Mr. Vere, made a  
most superb sermon - at St. Eglise Catholique,  
he really was sublime - This afternoon Benjamin  
Caro - makes me feel miserable, when I look at  
her, I find her thin & altered - dear child, I  
long, to see a change - Dr. Brigham, says, she  
will soon - regain her strength - God! grant she  
may! - Miss Pether, left this morning -  
really, throwing very much snow & disappearing



Henri with the gout -

Yvonne came

Alphonse

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March - Quite Spring weather - Several  
waggons, at the Church door to-day - Mud on  
the road - no more sleighing, but, on the side  
of the ditch - & where, the snow, has accumulated  
a long the fences - the sun, was warm -  
it looks like rain - Last night at 10. o.c  
Henri was coughing, so incessantly, that, he  
took 3 teaspoonful of Paregon - he slept, to-morrow  
morning, woke, with a gouty pain - all along  
his thigh - cannot move, without, being in  
pain - kept his bed, all day - James, not  
better, he also, feels pains, when he moves - he  
is very rheumatic - Caro, better - she went  
early to Church, this morning to Receives, returned  
at the 1/2 past 9 o.c Mass & again, this afternoon,  
for Sabat - she has borne, all this, much better  
than, I anticipated, she would have done. -  
this morning, the R. Par. preached, beautifully -  
sur la Predence viel, de J. C. dans l' Eucharistie -  
he treated, the subject - most superbly - this  
afternoon we only had - Sabat - the number  
of people who, have gone, to their Confession  
during this Novena - is immense, Messie  
Lambert, returned, to St George, this afternoon -  
I hope & pray, Henri may have a comfortable  
night - he has, been, dozing, a great deal, all day -  
he still coughs - what a fearful obstinate cough!  
God! grant he may soon get over it! Henri takes  
a teaspoonful of cochine colonicum, with his usual pill,  
Yvonne came this evening - I regret he came, in his sleigh -



Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March - rain in the morning - it did not last,  
it was cloudy & very damp, all day - Henri is rather  
better - although he coughed, during the night - he can  
move a little better in his bed - last night, I massaged  
up his knee & foot with wadding & oil - liniment - he persisted;  
the Colicium he took, did him good - the pain,  
in his side - still exists - if it continues, I will apply  
a liniment to - night - a very large crowd, at church -  
this morning, I went to my Easter Duty - & remained with  
my sick - during the last mass - it was a grand success  
to - day - the Rev preached, sur les fréquentations  
this afternoon - the altar was most beautiful -  
the process most brilliant - the closure of the  
Novena - was grand! there was a large concourse  
again, this afternoon - the Rev preached, 'sur la  
Confiance en la Ste Vierge' - he spoke very well -  
Mr. Bingham came - James, continues, very well -  
his father, a powder, again to night - heidler in the  
morning - I saw Henri, had a bad night, before him -  
he coughs, a good deal - quite spring weather - the  
gardens & fields - quite bare - no more sleighing!  
Swisher played the organ, very nicely, as usual -  
Caro walked back, from church, this afternoon - she  
could not bear, to be dragged on bare ground -  
Snowing heavily to night - quite a borderie -  
Henri takes a blue pill to - night -



Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March - quite a heavy fall of snow, fallen since last evening - at least, 12 inches - such fearful roads - (the snow, so watery - a fall without frost - it makes the roads, almost impassable - such deep - slope; Henri coughed less, last night - that is, at intervals - he slept, between, the coughing & retching - took *Placemum* a full the same, treatment, as night before last - the *divinism* to his side - seemed, to relieve him - his gouty pains, very much better - the cough, is what annoys him, the most - James, would not follow, the ~~or~~ prescriptions, last evening, he is, in consequence, not, a bit, better to-day - he is very feverish, very nervous - this morning at 1/2 past 5 a.m. Messire Pauline & Fide left - and at 11 a.m. M. Pere Roger left also, he goes to sleep at El John's - it has been snowing all day - it melts as it falls - what a ~~thaw~~ & much water, in the roads - Willie went to Bedford to-day - to attend the Council - Caro, is a shade better - she is progressing - very slowly - however, she says, she is really, stronger, the iron she takes, seems to do her good -

Messire Pauline & Fide left -  
M. Pere Roger left -



Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March - very mild & pleasant - a little more  
snow-fall - Henri passed a less bad night, although he  
coughed, a good deal - the pain in his side, continues -  
the ~~Dr~~ says, it is a rheumatic pain of the muscles -  
the sinapisms, only relieve for the moment - James  
very unwell - sent for the ~~Dr~~ - he found him, worse,  
not having taken his powders, regularly - very feverish,  
wanders a great deal - this afternoon we were  
quite alarmed, about him - to night, he is a little  
better - I wrote to Frederick to come to-morrow to see  
him, the ~~Dr~~ comes in the morning, he will take  
a powder to-night, which, we hope will do him  
good - to-night Henri took a little pill, but no  
~~colic~~ he coughed fearfully this evening - put  
a sinapism to his side - I fear he has a dreadful  
night before him - we have left for St Alexandre,  
we wrote to St Hyacinthe - Caro, walked out, for a  
few minutes - returned fatigued - I was not well, to day,  
cramps in my chest - God! spare me from  
being ill, as I have enough to do, to attend, my  
sister - Henri's gout is on the march -



Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March - rather cold this morning, North wind -  
Hain coughed, fearfully last night - at 11 a.c P.M. - I  
gave 3 lead spoonful of Paregoric - they did not allay  
the cough - before 3 a.c A.M. - it was really pitiful, to  
hear him cough so incessantly - & the pain in his side  
when he coughed, was severe - finally towards morning  
he got rest - the Dr. came, to breakfast - he found  
James, rather better, the powder he took last night, did  
him good, a bedditer in the morning - he had a  
little rest, during the night - does not, however, as  
much as yesterday - I fear, this afternoon, he will  
not be as well - I do not like his looks - I ~~the~~ wrote to  
Willie, to say to the Dr. who, is at Bedford - to <sup>come</sup> round, this  
evening, on his return to the Hay - after, the County Council  
will be over - to - night, Hain, will take a blue pill, Colicum  
& Paregoric - I hope he will have rest - to - night -  
he takes soup, twice a day - - Caro intends to drive out  
every day - this afternoon, she went as <sup>far</sup> Bedford -  
on an errand - cloudy & disagreeable - roads awful!

And higher & more came - -

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March - Spring weather - lonely & pleasant -  
Hain did not cough ~~as~~ as much, as night before  
last - the <sup>blue</sup> pill, Colicum, & Paregoric he took at  
9 a.c P.M. - last night - did him, some good - he  
remained in bed, again to - day, till late, he  
only got up at 5 a.c P.M. - this was, the 6<sup>th</sup> day  
he had kept his bed - he saw several persons  
in his room, to - day, on business, James is



a little better — still, I am anxious about him — Arthur  
& Annie arrived this afternoon, they have come to see  
James — they felt anxious, after my letter, to Arthur —  
Hein came down to dinner — remained after dinner  
on the sofa in the parlour, till the mail arrived, to look  
over the papers — he retired, soon after — took Colicium  
to-night a dose, & powerful — I am quite out of sorts,  
to-night — fatigued & worried — Caro took a long drive  
with her brother, this afternoon — I walked as far as  
church — I required, a little fresh air — a lovely mild  
evening — Hein visited to-night — took his Colicium  
at 1/2 past 12 o'clock — coughed, a great deal — James continues  
better to-night —

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March — Spring weather, as much as 13 degrees heat  
S. E. Wind — rain during the night — Hein better  
this morning, after having coughed — a great deal  
during the night, his Colicium, did good, to his  
gout — he got up, after luncheon — came downstairs  
& remained till the evening — James is better, a  
little nervous — Arthur & Annie left at 2 o'clock —  
Caro drove with Dr Bingham & Willie, as far as Haggerly,  
his youngest child, is dangerously ill — no more  
sleighing — Grob, will regret, travelling in his boots —  
so threatens rain again — Caro is looking pale  
a weak to-day — I have a head-ache — I feel  
relieved, to see my sick on the mend —  
Mr le Cur returned this evening from St Hyacinthe — Theodore  
arrived by the stage —

Arthur & Annie left —  
Theodore came —



Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March - much rain during the night -  
cleared up in the morning - very windy - cloudy -  
disagreeable - Henri passed rather a better night -  
he only took a little pill last night - his cough  
seems to be, quite on the mend - James is better  
the powder he took last night, seems to have  
done him good - he got up to-day, & lied on  
the sofa, for an hour or so - Henri came  
down to luncheon, he feels, less gouty - he walks  
with his cane - still a slight pain in the hip  
God grant he may soon, be quite himself again -  
Willie & Theodore are gone on a long expedition  
on horse back - the fields are quite quite bare  
just like spring - the garden is also bare -  
Caro is weak - her digestion bad -

Apple Came Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March - very mild - no more lightning - altogether  
wheezing - Henri coughed - a great deal, during the night,  
he was fatigued this morning, & weak - what a long tedious  
cough! his gouty pains, much better, he took a little pill last  
night - this afternoon, the Dr. told <sup>him</sup> a little Champagne, which he  
did - it seems to have <sup>done</sup> him good - James better, got up, & sat  
in Caro's room - took a small bit food, for his early dinner -  
was starch for his collation - & droup at 6 o'clock - the Dr.  
found him much better, Frank came to-day, only returns  
to-morrow - a great many people at church - a  
warm sun, this afternoon - the water high -



Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March - bright & fair, cold morning 7 degrees not of  
Henri coughed, during the night, & a good deal all day -  
he is weak, looking pale & altered - that is bad enough,  
fatigues him, so much - Yesterday & to-day, he has taken  
Champagne, to try & bring himself up - he has no  
appetite - took nothing at all last night, but ear sure  
his gout, is not, what, annoys him, at present, it is  
that long tedious cough - he has been, coughing  
incessantly, since four long weeks - but not, been  
out, since three weeks - God! grant, that cough, may  
leave him - James is progressing slowly, much  
a happier yet - he spent the day in Willie's  
room - to make a change - Willie & Theodore, went  
to the Bay, this afternoon - Ark, left at 10 a.m. -  
the road of this morning - has decreased the water  
Ark returned as he came, in his cart -  
a bright sun - Caro walked out this afternoon -

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March - a very cold windy morning - Henri coughed  
much during the night - James, apparently seemed better,  
this morning - he got up, dressed, & went to sit, in Willie's  
room - about 1/2 past 3 a.m. - he returned to his own  
room, & lay on his bed - I went in after him, and found  
him, in an awful state, in a state of collapse as  
it was - I dreadfully alarmed, called out to Willie to  
come up to me, to help James in bed - he was  
not conscious, he got a chill, for a few moments  
only - very fortunately, Dr. Brigham, arrived, who



Sent an Express to Henry & John  
James is very ill

upstairs, & prescribed for him - he kindly, remained  
to sleep - I was in such a fearful state of  
anxiety! he gave him Dover's powder - & attended  
him, during the night - Henri sent an Express  
for Henry & John - they will not be here, before  
morning - Henri took a gout pill to-night -  
& he also took some of Hostetter's bitter, before his  
dinner - I fear with all he has a bad night  
before him - God's grant, a happy change to  
our poor old dear James - Ah! but he is  
very very ill! the blister, on his side, is doing finely

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March - cold, cloudy disagreeable  
day - Henri, coughed fearfully all night, had  
no sleep - at 3 A.M. he took 2 teaspoonsful of  
Sutcher's sedative - the dose - not strong enough  
to make him sleep - James was pretty  
quiet during the night the Dr. went to bed  
twice during the night - gave him, some  
Sutcher, also - his blister, took beautifully,  
dressed it - & finished, by leaving on it, a  
piece of oil - silk - this morning at 10 past 8 A.M. we  
arrived - found their Father, looking very ill - although  
the Dr. said he was a little better - poor Theodore  
was dreadfully affected, all the last night - cried  
a great deal - Henry & John were also much  
affected, when they saw their Father - James was  
glad to see them - he said, he was sure, he would

Henry & John's came



Iron die, & felt happy to see his boys - around time - the  
 Dr left at 10 o'clock A.M. - this afternoon, or rather just before  
 luncheon - he again looked very ill - so much so, that  
 Smith left at 2 o'clock P.M. for the hotel en route to Montreal  
 to bring out Dr Nelson, with him to-morrow & Dr Wright  
 from the hotel - for a consultation - since Smith left  
 James, seems, a shade better - we have written, to  
 Dr Bingham to return again to-night to see  
 him & we are so anxious! Willie is off again,  
 to Sturbridge & else where - Henri says, he is  
 a little better this afternoon - the Dr has prepared a  
 cough mixture for him - to be taken every 6 hours!

Dr Nelson & Wright came  
 on a consultation - for James  
 & a nurse came -

Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> March - fair & bright, a cold morning 6 degrees  
 Henri weighed less, than usual - the cough mixture  
 seemed to have allayed the cough - James much better  
 to-day - this morning at 10 o'clock - Dr Wright & Nelson  
 arrived, also Annie & Kate - the Dr's all agreed, &  
 said James, was not, so ill, as he thought, that  
 Dr Bingham's, treatment - had been, very good - &  
 to continue it - they took luncheon, & left -  
 I was pleased, to see our friend Dr U. Nelson;  
 I consulted him about Henri, he said the cough  
 was nothing, not to mind it - James, must now  
 be convinced - that there is, now, no danger, &  
 that he will, soon, get over this malady -  
 Mrs Le Cure went to St George this afternoon, returned this



this evening - I am really tired out - what with one thing & then another - Caro has a severe nervous head-ache - she played the organ for the Misses to-day - good wheeling -

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Cloudy, cold & disagreeable - very windy. Henri did not cough, much - his cough, is certainly on the mend - he has taken Hostellers' bitters, since two days - he fancies, it does him good - James, continues to be nervous, took a bread soup to-day - relished it - he takes light nourishment - often in the course of the day - Willie is always very busy - Annie & Caro, went to La Priere this afternoon - Caro is getting on, by degrees - she looks stronger - Woman X this morning, she placed a half-cask of Sherry in the cellar - Clarified it with white eggs, <sup>and</sup> shells - It will not be fit to use before a fortnight - knowing to-night -

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March - quite cold - a fall of snow last night - sleighing to-day - Henri did not sleep - to the Dutcher's wife - did not agree with him - he was annoyed this morning - as having consented to take that sedative - James better, had a pretty good night - to-day, he is less nervous - after luncheon - Henry returned to the Johns - Wheeling - This morning, they all went to

Henry left



hear Mass - for his cure, its being his fête - Joseph  
F. W. - played the organ - last evening, Willie &  
Caro presented him, some books & addressed  
him a few words, on the its being the eve, of his  
feast - - a bright sun - the snow fallers, yet  
will soon disappear - Willie gone to Montbridge East  
returns for dinner

*Irishman & Annie left*  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday - a windy cold morning - 9 degrees  
giboulées, of moist Mass - occurring, now & then - a  
great many people at church - Ann better - praying  
for a fine day - that he may resume his horse  
exercise - James, passed a tolerable night till 4 o'clock  
when, he began to be very nervous, saying, he would  
never recover & so on - this afternoon, we made  
him dress & leave his bed - he spent several  
hours in Caro's room, lounging on the chaise-  
longue & sitting in the easy chair - he has not  
taken any solid food - since, last Tuesday - this  
afternoon, Irishman & Annie left - David, their servant,  
came for them to - day - there was no keeping  
Annie, from leaving - I regretted to see her go, in such  
weather, so windy & disagreeable, & those giboulées, any  
thing but pleasant - Caro did not go to church  
to - day - she remained, to take care of the sick -  
Dr. Gingham came & found James on the mend -  
although he is still nervous - Nedan is gone to St. Johns, returns tomorrow



the nightingale was heard -  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March - very cold, a piercing west wind - 14 degrees below  
Frost continued to improve in health, by degrees - his  
tiresome cough, has entirely left him - all he wants,  
is fresh air, & is impatiently awaiting, a pleasant  
nice day, to sally out: he is so anxious, to go out  
on horseback - He says, he feels the want, of that  
favorite exercise - James, got up & dressed, passed  
the day, in Carr's work, men, walked, in the  
park - still, he is, more nervous, to-day, than  
yesterday - at 12 O'Clock, he took some nice soup, & eat a  
quint - he certainly looks much better - he passed  
rather a good night - Carr is progressing in health -  
I feel so thankful for it - dear Willie, went to his  
Easter-duty - this morning - dear boy, may he always,  
be imbued, with pious feelings - I went to Mass - this  
morning - I was wrapped up - like in January! -

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - a continuation of very cold weather -  
a fearful cold piercing west wind - I was frozen  
this morning going to Church - Fanny is so  
disappointed, at not being able to venture out - it is  
so cold & windy, it would not be prudent, for him  
to go out - to-day & long weeks, he has not been  
out - he has been well enough, since, a week, to  
go out - but the weather, was not pleasant -  
The sun is out, beautiful & bright - Carr walked  
to Church, this afternoon - there was, then, 5 degrees below  
The Dr. came, says James, is on the mend but



James, says not, he is exceedingly nervous — distressingly  
so — the Dr gave a pill, to take this afternoon &  
another at bed-time — Willie, as usual, always  
very busy —

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March — how very very cold, it was  
this morning! 12 degrees, with a North wind —  
I found it fearfully cold — going to church —  
Henri is again disappointed — he fears — he cannot  
get out to-day — James, better, passed a good  
night — although, he is still nervous, & continues  
to entertain doubts, of his recovery — poor James! how  
sad to see him, so nervous! beautiful whistling — but  
cold —

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March Jouin Saint — fair & bright —  
6 degrees cold, this morning — very windy — a great  
many people at church — the Reposoir, very elegant,  
very brilliant; the hou's Ombrellino, is beautiful — the  
procession was very solemn, very grand — Henri  
continues to improve in health — he went out, on  
horseback — this afternoon, he went to church — for a  
few moments — & continued his ride — he says, it has  
done him good — poor James, is exceedingly  
nervous, to-day — it is very sad, to see him  
in that state — Dr Bingham came to-day — he  
says, James, will be, in this nervous state, for some  
time —

Henri rode out on Piccolo to-day —  
for the 1st time, since 4 weeks —



time yet - pleasant temperature, this afternoon -  
Cord a little fatigued to-day, she walked to Church  
twice - this afternoon at 4 a.m. - we had Prayers &  
Mr le Curé sang the: Stabat Mater, a read, l'Amende -  
honorable - on the Sacrament - four men - sit up,  
to-night - pour l'adoration - during the whole night -  
no mail this evening -

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Vendredi Saint - quite a Spring  
day - a warm sun - a great many people at Church -  
Thuri continues to enjoy this favorite exercise, on  
horseback - he finds, that Piccolo, carries him  
beautifully, this Spring - he is in fine order -  
James passed a pretty good night - but  
has been very nervous, all day - saying, he  
will, never recover from this illness - he is  
certainly better - although, he will not, own it. -  
again, this afternoon, at 4 a.m., there was a  
great many people, at Prayers, we went  
round the Stations of the Cross - this evening  
it looks like rain - James, walked on the  
platform, in front of the house - he was  
out - for a few moments - he found the  
fresh air, very reviving - received our mail to-night -  
our bag, had been forgotten, at Montreal -

James went out, on the platform -



Theodore & Jimmy came

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March - very warm pleasant weather, it has threatened rain all day - the roads, very muddy - a great many people at church - Henri went out on horseback, this afternoon - James, as usual very nervous - did not rest much, last night, he walked out, on the platform - how very sad, it is, to see him, so distressed, so persuaded, he can never get over, this attack - how much, he is to be pitied; but Theodore to the Bay, to get, some tincture of iron for Caro - who, certainly is getting on, very much under this treatment - Frobisher & Jimmy arrived this afternoon - we were so delighted to see them - the roads are awful - Henri Jimmy, not fatigued -

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Easter - a little rain in the morning - a great many people at church - Henri went to grand' messe - James was not as nervous to-day, as usual - may he continue, to improve in health - the fine weather, will bring him round - he had a magnificent Feast - the grand' messe - was grand, solemn - G.W. played so nicely - at vesper, G.W. Theodore, Willie & Caro sang - the choir below, responded - the Salut was magnificent - we heard the Chantres, sing the Regina & a very handsome Lantern, admirably - as for the Altar, the parure, was something, most beautiful, so brilliant - so elegant - I never saw, the altar, so superb - two white rose trees



Henry came just come from the Grey Nuns - such lovely flowers! a perfect imitation - Mr le Qui got them on Saturday - <sup>the page beaut - very nice</sup> such a flower, is rarely seen any where! This evening, they are all very gay & happy - they had a game at Squints, a wide all very merry - Cabot & I received, this morning - Henry arrived at 5 o'clock P.M. - he had a break down - on arriving at St. Alexandre -

March 28<sup>th</sup> - March - a bright sun, so warm & pleasant although there was a hoary frost this morning - the wind N.W. - James & I had a bad night, was very nervous - and has been, in the same state all day - this afternoon - I gave him a Valerian pill, poor James! how sad, how pitiful, it is to see him in that nervous state - God! grant, he may soon get over it - Henry left after luncheon - Father & Jimmy soon followed - poor Jimmy, had a great wish, to remain, longer - but not the words, been, in such an awful state, & fearing, that he would have been lonely, after his Father's departure - I would have kept him - I went to see the two beds, this afternoon - the Melon plants are very fine, the different kind of cabbages are doing well - the cucumbers, & Tomatoes, are beautiful - a few potato plants, coming up - lettuce & radishes, carrots - the cauliflowers - very fine - Green, is succeeding, thus far - very nicely - a glorious sun set - This morning it was delightful to hear the Robin warbling so prettily as well as the Nightingale -

the Robin came - Henry, Father & Jimmy left -



Caro, went on horseback  
1st time, this morning  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March - a charming nice bright day - warm  
a pleasant - farer better; the Valerian pills - do him good -  
he passed, rather a good night - he has been strolling  
about, the whole day - he is certainly, much less  
nervous - may he continue so - he will take another  
pill, to-night - Henri was out on horseback - his  
daily exercise - his health, so much improved -  
Caro, went out on horseback, she rode - in the  
riding ground - the roads, are fearfully muddy -  
the roads, ferry, to-day - I have been busy, putting  
away - out of harm's way, by the mother, all  
that, they could injure - so much done -

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March - cold & chilly, disagreeable, cloudy, N. E. wind -  
Henri out as usual, every afternoon, enjoying, his daily  
ride - his favorite Piccolo, is in such fine order -  
James, not as well as yesterday, that is, very nervous to-day -  
he fancies, he must, soon die, the awful nervous  
feelings, he has, make it imagine, all sorts of things -  
he will not, be persuaded, of the contrary - Caro  
has again, commenced, her fret work - I half like it,  
fearing, it may fatigue her - This morning, I wrote  
to Mrs de Buss, to Horsebourn to Mr Mason - it is cold,  
this evening, it looks like snow -



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Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Windy, & disagreeable, rather cold -  
wads fearfully muddy - James better, not near, so  
nervous, as yesterday - passed rather a good night -  
Henni went out on horseback, this afternoon -  
Willie & Theodore drove to the Bay - to see Dr Bingham  
who is ill - James & Caro went to see the hot-beds -  
this morning, we had a grand messe - from la  
cloture du mois de St Joseph - it is chilly, not  
at all pleasant - Caro has again taken a slight  
cold - she coughs - I hate, to hear her cough - it  
always makes me feel anxious - She continues  
to take tincture of Iron, twice a day -

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April - although a little windy, it has been  
a pleasant day - Henni did not go out, to take his  
usual ride on horseback to-day, his piécolo, having  
cracks - which must be healed, before he can use him -  
James had no sleep last night, was very nervous -  
he is a little better to-day, although, nervous -  
wads very muddy - we heard last night, that  
poor Louise Pinsonneault had the small pox - poor  
child! may she soon get over that awful disease -  
I have a fearful head-ache - I am so out of spirits,  
this evening - I feel wretched -



the ice above the dam -  
came down very quietly in fact

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - bright & fair, very windy, rather cold -  
N. E. disagreeable wind - James & Henri went out  
driving, this afternoon - James, is still nervous -  
the first warm weather, a exercise, will bring him  
round - Caro walked out - I was busy, in the  
garret, with Madame, setting different strings to rights -  
the ice above the dam, went off, so quietly, -  
it broke up, in bits & went down, without, the  
least noise & trouble - the river, below the dam  
has been free, from ice, since a long time -  
it is like in summer - there is not a  
particle of snow in the fields, neither in the  
garden or lawn - a few patches of ice - in the  
walks, of the garden, occasioned, by the water  
lodging there - Green's two boys, are doing  
well - William & Theodore went to Bedford - this  
afternoon -

Henry & William came

Dimanche 3<sup>rd</sup> April - the sun out, bright & fair, but,  
still, that coldish, disagreeable, N. E. wind -  
the roads, are much improved a great many people  
at church - Henri & James went to 'ground' huffe - they  
drove in the cab - the weather very chilly  
this evening - James much better - although he  
is nervous at times - Dr. Brigham came to-day -  
Henri continues pretty well - Henry & Anne arrived at  
5 o'clock - they say the roads are very fair - so  
much better, than they expected, to find them -



Henry & Alice left  
Green, found house in open ground

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April - clear bright, lovely weather, warm & pleasant - after luncheon, Henry & Jack returned to St Johns - Henry & James drove to Bedford - but he did not leave this afternoon for St Alexandre, en route to town - this morning, we had a grand messe, of St. Anthony's services, said for us - Jack played the organ - it was very nice - Caro caught - she has again, taken a fresh cold -

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April - lovely weather, so bright & fair - a heavy frost - in the morning, but, the warm genial rays of a delightful sunshine, made it soon disappear, & the temperature charming - James is very nervous; it is sad to see him in that miserable state, he was out, all day Willie & Theodore took an early breakfast & went to the Bay - Willie, went to visit, Dr. Wingham, celebrated horse of Young Monarch, - Caro has just finished carving, a very pretty piece of work - Henry well - goes out as usual, every day - his general health - is so much improved; I feel thankful for it - Caro's cold - quite on the mend -

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April, warm & pleasant, a most brilliant sunshine - roads, very good - it has been quite summer, to-day - Henry took a long ride, on Piccolo -



Willie rode, young Monarch, I felt nervous, when I saw, mount  
him, he rode him from the Hay, yesterday, Dr. Brigham  
wishing us to see the splendid horse! James is better  
this afternoon, he has been out, a great deal to-day. —  
Lamentering about the grounds — Caro walked about  
also — I have been so busy, since a few days, regulating  
all sorts of affairs, in the garden — I completed, the whole  
to-day — I am rejoiced, at having finished it all —  
What a fine Spring we have this year — it is  
lovely —

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April Charming weather — after breakfast, Willie  
rode to the Hay — to take back, young Monarch, the  
splendid horse — I was glad, to see him, go back  
to his own stable — fearing, something, might happen him  
here — He continues to enjoy better health — rides out  
every day — James better — Theodore left for St. John's  
this morning, by the stage, Dr. Brigham, came, this  
afternoon, he says, the roads — are very fine —  
Caro took her usual walk — Mr. Le Cure returned  
from town, this morning —

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April — we have a hoary frost, every morning  
the sun comes out, bright & lovely & the weather  
is delightful — after breakfast, James & Dr. Brigham left  
poor James, we all felt, sorry, to see him go —  
particularly, as he was so affected, when, he bid us



good bye - I was quite upset - I hope, he reached M<sup>r</sup> Johns  
without fatigue - I am anxious, to hear, how he is -  
he told us, he would soon return - poor James!  
I sincerely hope, the change of air will do him  
good - Dr Brigham came to - day - Willie & Caro  
Went to Pine River - Caro enjoyed her ride, very  
much - she says: Puff, went beautifully - she mounted  
her, for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, this season - Harri took  
a long ride on horseback - I went to Church, this  
afternoon & wrote several letters -

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April a continuation of most lovely weather  
so warm & pleasant - Green's hot-beds are coming  
on, so nicely: what a charming early spring we  
have this year - what a difference, from last year -  
when, at this time, we were in the depths of winter, so  
much snow, every where - Harri rode out, Willie  
has been slightly indisposed, had to take a blue pill, two  
nights running & a salutar in the morning - he  
feels better to - day - the Dr said he was bilious - Caro  
has been obliged, to take pills also - this afternoon  
They are both gone - for a walk - - I expect a  
letter from M<sup>r</sup> Johns, this evening - I am anxious to  
hear, about James -



Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April — cold & chilly, cloudy — a few drops rain  
this afternoon — very disagreeable — a great many  
people at church — Henni went to grand'papa's  
last evening, I received a letter from Frothier, saying  
that James was very much better — & had passed  
a good night — she took to the folios — not having  
fatigued him — I was so happy, to hear such  
good accounts about him — Dr. Brigham came  
en passant, to-day — Caro takes a pill again  
to-night — & drinks better water — in the  
morning — Willie is all right again —  
it is raining this evening —

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April — rain during the night — the roads  
very muddy — there was sleet this morning — cold,  
chilly, damp & disagreeable this afternoon — still Henni  
went out on horseback — he went, on his usual rounds,  
was out several hours — neither Caro, nor I, went out  
to-day — we preferred, remaining indoors — Caro  
worked at her fret work — she is doing a pretty  
bit of work — for Charles Boustithier — Willie out as  
usual — he is all right again —



Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April Snow & sleet this morning — cold, damp,  
cloudy & disagreeable — after luncheon, Fanny rode  
for a couple of hours — Caro took a short walk —  
I do not feel very well — Withers all right again —  
Winds very muddy — it threatens snow —  
Dr. Wighams came in Grassant, tells Caro to drink  
Seltzer water —

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April — cold, chilly, cloudy, disagreeable —  
after breakfast Withers went to Bedford, to attend the Council —  
in the afternoon Fanny drove to Bedford — Brown went  
with her — The winds very muddy — Caro walked  
out — I have been suffering, since a couple days, with  
grippe & cramps — I hid on the sofa, the greatest  
part of the day — this evening I intend to take  
20 drops of Morphine — I have not dined at table  
since a couple days — I retire so early —

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April, a continuation of cold, chilly weather —  
Fanny rode out, this afternoon, Caro took a  
long walk — The winds being too muddy for her to  
ride — I am suffering, excruciating pain — over my  
knee — it is swollen & very painful — I cannot walk  
without being very lame — a cloudy disagreeable  
day — the Morphine, I took last evening, has  
not done me much good — I hear often  
from El Johns, poor James, continues to progress, quietly —



Willie went to town  
& returned this evening

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April coldish & cloudy, still, not as cold, as yesterday  
I suffer from rheumatic pains, in my left leg & thigh  
& in my right arm & hand, I can hardly hold my pen.  
Henri went out on horseback, this afternoon. Caro  
went out for a long walk. Willie went to town  
early this morning. Dr Bingham came on foot  
he told me to take Mercurius to night & rub the  
parts affected, with camphor. Willie returned  
from town at 4 o'clock P.M.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April - very disagreeable, chilly, cold weather  
Henri & Willie drove to Bedford in the afternoon -  
returned frozen, so windy & cold - Caro walked  
out, I am better - the Mercurius, did some  
good - I take some again, this evening -  
I hope, I shall soon be all right again

Dr Bingham came -

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April - Snow during the night & sleet  
this morning - Henri found it too damp &  
disagreeable to go out to - May - Further came  
to play the organ, in my stead - knowing, I was  
not well enough to go to Church - he brought  
with him Thomas Weir, a soldier, who comes  
the Army, on furlough wishes to engage here, to  
replace Evans - he is highly recommended -  
wears three medals & four stripes of good conduct -  
it is probable, we shall engage him -



Repine & Sedovay came to dinner, & remained to sleep -  
it is driving, again - this evening - cold,  
not very bad - Hubb. says, James continues to  
improve in health -

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April - this morning, the ground, was  
covered with a thin coat of snow - no doubt, we  
shall have fine weather after this - it was cold,  
heated, the stones - like in winter - Henri continues  
well - got out on horseback, as usual - Carr  
remained in door to - day - Repine & Sedovay left  
early this morning - Hatfield & the Soldier left  
this morning at 11 O.C. - this afternoon rain & flat -  
still, Henri went out on horseback - how imprudent  
of him, to expose himself, in this wet weather -

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April - cold, damp & cloudy - a most  
disagreeable - Henri drove to the Ridge, with  
Dr Bingham - they returned for luncheon - roads in  
the winter - very bad - such a gloomy afternoon -  
Carr has remained indoors all day - I am better,  
still, I have not been out - for a walk - I wrote  
to Mr de la Cour, Mr Campbell, Mr Kountze & Mr Quilmer, &  
to the latter - a letter, on a peculiar subject, in answer,  
to what, she wrote me last week - a lovely evening  
a bright moon -



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a blue pill

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April - a sharp frost, last night, a  
 morning North wind - the sun out - but cold - roads  
 good - Willie & Caro drove out, this afternoon, they took  
 a long drive & returned very gay & happy, saying they  
 had enjoyed their drive, so much - Henri went out  
 on horseback, as usual - I am the only one, who, is  
 a stag at home - this evening, it is becoming overcast -  
 I fear there is a storm at hand, Henri takes a blue pill  
 to night -

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April - bright & fair, a lovely sunshine, warm  
 & pleasant - Willie & Caro went out riding, this afternoon -  
 Henri feels a little weak - after his blue pill - of last night -  
 I have a head-ache, no inclination to scribble - Mr. & Mrs.  
 went to St. Alexandre this morning, returned in the evening  
 roads good - Henri took his usual ride on horseback -

Willie & Caro gone  
 to St. John, on a visit

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April most charming weather, a lovely bright  
 sunshine - warm & pleasant, after breakfast, Willie  
 & Caro left for St. John, on a visit to James & Annie.  
 What lovely weather, they had to drive their 16 miles -  
 roads very good - Henri Moore, took luncheon, here.  
 Henri complained of a slight gouty pain, about his  
 neck - he was out a great deal, on horseback  
 this afternoon - I went to look at the hot-beds - they  
 are progressing, very well indeed - Green, understands  
 it, admirably - a lovely evening - took down the



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Sitting room stove, & the stove pipe, in Caro's room —  
 I feel lonely, this evening, without my dear children —  
 Henri says, he found, this day long, he misses  
 Willie, always —

Willie & Caro returned

from St. Johns

Colobium

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April — rain, the greatest part of the,  
 fine warm rain, which will do so much good —  
 it was needed — Henri remained indoors to-day —  
 Willie & Caro arrived at 1 o'clock — from St. Johns —  
 they got a good deal of rain, from St. Alexandre  
 here — Caro had so many wraps — the rain,  
 could not affect her — it seems, their Pépe, was  
 so happy & delighted to see them — it was quite  
 an event, for Willie & Caro to drive down to St. Johns  
 expressly, on a visit — winds, muddy — wind  
 South — I have a head-ache — Henri takes  
 a teaspoonful of Colobium to-night — he feels gouty —

Dr. Mallery & Andrew came —

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April most lovely weather, bright & fair  
 a great many people at church — Henri did not go  
 out, having taken a teaspoonful of Colobium last  
 night — he feels gouty — ~~at~~ Catechism commenced,  
 to-day — a great many people attended <sup>both</sup> young & old —  
 this afternoon Dr. Mallery & Andrew arrived —  
 they come to remain, till to-morrow morning —  
 was a pleasant — the winds, however, are not  
 very much —



Dr. Thellus & 400k left

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April - a very warm bright morning -  
after breakfast, Dr Thellus & G. Whisher left - a great  
many people at grand messe this morning - for  
the St. Marthe - the blessing of the seeds -  
Henri is gouty - feels a pain, in his hand - & I  
have a rheumatic pain - in my wrist - what a  
nice pair, we make! - in the forenoon, it became  
overcast, threatened rain,

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April - much rain, during the night,  
and much rain, all day - roads, fearfully muddy  
Henri better, although, he said, he felt, a little weak  
to-day - he only took, his usual pill, last night -  
it looks, like more rain, to-night -  
green, uncovered, the asparagus bed to-day - the  
white raspberries, also - the green peas - in  
the open ground - are doing beautifully - if, we  
get no frost, to rip them - we shall not green  
peas - early -

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April - rain, last night - very gloomy,  
overcast, cloudy, chilly & disagreeable - the roads, very  
wet, very muddy - having the men's room, the girls'  
room, & the kitchen white-washed - it needed - so  
muddy after the long winter - Henri remained indoors  
again - to-day, much, to his great disgust - he feels  
all right again - Caro walked out, this afternoon



I hate to go out - I have become, such a stayer, at home; I feel it, an exertion, to walk out - The grass is so beautifully green - since, this last rain -

Willie left for town

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April rain & sleet in the morning - cold & chilly, cloudy all day - a fearful dull day - This morning at 3<sup>1/4</sup> past 5, our Willie left for town, by the Loiseau's - Moise drove him, in his wagon - roads very bad - the mud, flying about - He is all right again - only, misses, his daily ride on horseback - Weather & roads, being so awful, he is compelled to remain indoors - There was no going out to-day -

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April a cloudy morning - a bright afternoon the sun came out - it was quite renovating & gay, after having been seven long days without a fair bright day - that disagreeable, gloomy weather, makes one feel, out of sorts - Stuart was so delighted, to go out on horseback - he was out three hours - Piccolo was so frisky, & fresh - Caro walked out - I miss my own dear Willie - he returns to-morrow - a glorious sun set - green - planted out, a beautiful collection of Spirea's shrubs, sent to me, by John Healy - our old gardener, it is a very nice cadeau - I received them last night -



Willie returned from town -  
Glee à glace -  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April - most lovely bright sun time; it was  
quite cheering - after having had seven long cloudy days -  
rain & sleet so disagreeable - warm & pleasant - although  
this morning, we had a hoary frost - & a gelée à glace -  
during the night - roads fearfully muddy - Willie  
returned from town at 12 past 12 a.c. - having left  
town at 8 a.c. a.m. - in the Houssak - he says  
the roads are awful! Henri rode out on horseback -  
Caro walked about, the whole afternoon - I was  
busy, making arrangements, about some carpeting  
from one room, to another - Mr Mylius arrived  
this evening at 9 a.c. -

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May - rain again - roads fearful -  
Henri went to grand' messe, rode with Caro in the  
cab - not as many people, at church, as usual -  
the prayers of the Month of Mary, commenced  
after vespers - we are in hopes of fine  
weather - the barometre - seems, inclined, to go,  
towards fair - Mr Mylius left this morning at  
9 a.c. -

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - most lovely weather, warm & bright -  
roads drying, still, they are, awfully muddy.  
Henri went to Bedford with Willie, this morning, returned  
at 3 a.c. - Messire le Grand Vicair Crevier & Messire Désoroy  
came to take luncheon, with Mr le Cure - they left at



at 2 o'clock - a lovely evening appearance of fine weather  
for to-morrow - I rejoice at it - as I expect, my  
dear friends, in the evening, to-morrow -

Willie gone to town -

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - rain, commenced to fall, in full earnest  
at 9 o'clock A.M. - this morning at 1/2 past 5 o'clock - it  
was not raining, Willie left, for town - to go  
and bring out, a large party of our friends -  
whom, we expect this evening at 7 o'clock - if the  
rain, continues, to fall, as heavily, as it is now  
doing - I fear, we shall be deprived of seeing them  
come & received, this morning - several persons  
at grand' messe -

Willie returned from town -

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May Cloudy, misty, cold & disagreeable  
a piercing sharpness. I am not surprised, my  
friends did not like to venture, to come on  
with Willie, the weather, is really awful -  
still, I must own, I feel, disappointed, I expected  
them - I fear, they will not come at all -  
although, they have put off, their visit, till  
next Tuesday - I dare not flatter myself, they  
will come - roads, are awful, awful - Willie  
says, it is not to be told, the state of the  
roads, is something fearful - Willie returned  
from town at 1 o'clock P.M. - having left Montserrat at  
4 o'clock A.M. - all the carriages, were at the Poiseau,



since yesterday — appearance of more rain —  
I have a head-ache — cleared up this evening,  
a glorious sun set —

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May — most charming weather, pleasant  
temperature — a great many people at church  
Henni went to Grand' messe, alone in the Cab, as  
usual — after Mass, he rode out on horse back —  
he went down to the Halls — Willie & Caro went  
out, on an excursion, in a boat — they enjoyed  
themselves, very much — they go boating, below  
the Dam — the leaves of the trees, are only, just  
coming out — the grass is beautifully green —  
the beds, continue to progress —

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May, very pleasant weather, warm, lovely  
roads, have dried, very much — Henni rode out  
the whole afternoon — this afternoon at 4 a.m., we  
had Prayers & singing for the Month May —  
few people attended — it is raining, this evening  
we regret it, it puts off, the sowing in the  
garden, as well as in the field — Willie says,  
Hous sownes are retarded — I say the same thing,  
for the Garden — Green, says, he cannot  
help it — the constant rains, we have had of  
late, saturated, the ground, so much — it was  
impossible, to work the ground — he put in some



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Things to-day - the green peas, are doing well -

off Henri's shoulder a  
good deal -  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May - a pleasant morning, after the  
rain, during the night - the roads, dried up  
again, very soon - Henri walked a good  
deal, to-day - he went as far as the mill-house  
twice - a great deal of exercise on foot, for  
him, he had not walked, as much, since several  
months - Piccolo, has cracks, they must heal  
before, he can mount him again - rain  
this afternoon - we were at church, practising  
singing - they sent over shoes, & umbrellas -  
we have rain, every day - since some  
time -

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May - rain rain, again, during  
the night and all day - without great  
many people at church - Henri remained  
indoors all day - roads - fearfully muddy -  
singing for the 'Moi de Marie', -  
a very wet, disagreeable evening -

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May - a dense fog this morning  
& then rain - it cleared up in the forenoon  
a lovely afternoon, a bright sun, warm & pleasant  
after luncheon, Henri & Willie, drove to the



May - they returned at 5 o'clock - found the  
roads, awful - to the drive, the outer porch  
left the one, of the Servant's hall - a  
lovely evening - a fine sun set - Willie  
a long walk out, after dinner, when the  
weather permits -

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May - a lovely day, warm & pleasant - in the  
afternoon - a few drops rain - a thunder, in the  
distance - Messire St Aubin, came to take Luncheon,  
with Mrs de Cure, left soon after - Mrs de Cure left  
this afternoon for St Alexandre, en route to St Hyacinthe  
roads - awful! Henri only walked about, the grounds  
to-day - Piccolo, is not yet, in right trim, for him -  
Margaret Evans & her husband - left, our establishment  
this morning, to go & live at Chambly - Evans had  
been eight years in our service - in the capacity of  
Butler & Margaret, as Landlady - how much, I shall  
miss them - such good, trustworthy, servants - they  
are a loss to us - Little Margaret, had been gone, four  
weeks - she is engaged, at the Factory at Chambly -  
Evans, has saved enough money, to make himself a  
comfortable home - he has bought a small lot of  
ground, & had a small cottage, built on it - he is  
going to his own house - appearance of much  
rain, this evening, since a fortnight, constant  
rain - green, planted out, a great many daffodils,  
to-day - from the cellar - green, sent in, a few new potatoes  
to-day - for dinner -

Thunder

eat - new potatoes



Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May much rain, during the night —  
by torrents — this morning a cold North wind  
cloudy, <sup>then</sup> the sun came out, for a short time —  
it looks like rain again — Harri rode out  
on horseback this afternoon — roads awful —  
Willie & Caro, went out, in their small boat  
below the dam — they enjoyed it very much —  
a cool evening — we had asparagus for dinner  
to-day —

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May — rain — rain — again — what is  
going to become of us! it poured rain, all day —  
roads fearful, awful — after luncheon — Willie  
went to Stourbridge village on horseback — Harri  
was obliged to remain indoors, all day — Caro also —  
Harri lounged on the sofa — the greatest part  
of the day — weather, like this, quite upsets  
him — this constant rain, prevents, farming  
Willie is quite put out — there is no sowing  
no planting potatoes, or corn — as for the garden  
it is so saturated so wet — impossible to  
sow — the spring crop — of seeds — is not half  
sown — every thing, very backward — it  
cannot be helped — it is the Almighty's Will —  
we must only bow down, submissively, to his  
Divine Will —



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May - much rain, during the night - cloudy, warm  
& pleasant - roads - awful - after luncheon, Henry rode  
down to the Hall - Caro was out walking, about the  
grounds - the greatest part of the day - Willie & her  
went out boating, this morning - the garden - so  
wet, impossible, to sow, my seeds - to-day - what a  
delay! as for Willie, he is anxious - no sowing  
on the farm - Mr & Mrs returned from town  
this evening -

Andlicher came  
on horseback from Holms  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May - most lovely weather, quite summer -  
very warm - doors & windows open, all day, through  
out the house - how charming! Henry was out  
on horseback - the whole afternoon - Caro & I  
walked out - a lovely evening - Green busy  
planting Stallions in all directions - we have  
such an immense quantity of them -  
Andlicher arrived at 1/2 past 7 o'clock P.M. - he came on  
horseback - found the roads very bad -  
I was so delighted to see him -

Andlicher left -  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May - intensely warm, S. E. wind - roads  
drying very fast - a great many people at  
church - we had delightful music - a beautiful  
grand' messe - a fine <sup>two</sup> Salve - the Altar - most  
brilliant - Caro, & the <sup>two</sup> Mr Sabourin's, sang at the



Thodore arrived - having walked  
from St John - on the rail-road track -  
here -

1900 - Contique's for the 'Mois de Marie', & the  
Regence Club - as Sabat - they sang very prettily -  
Whither left, immediately, after vesper - having to  
play & sing, this evening at Yore - at St John, at  
L'Amelionferie - with several others - just as  
Whither was leaving the door - Theodore arrived here  
on foot, from St John - he walked all along the  
rail-road track - he is not fatigued - he is  
a good pedestrian - a lovely evening -

Lautier, commenced,  
to sow - out to day -  
the ground - only, just  
sowed, to receive the seed -

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May - most charming, warm weather, quite  
summer - roads, drying very fast - fine  
weather - for sowing - both in the garden and in  
the field - Lautier, could only, commence, sowing  
to-day - he put in, a few oats & hopes to  
continue, for some days - both Mon, the  
officer & one, a M. le Cure's - this afternoon - also  
put up the blinds, all over, the house - it makes  
it, so nice & cool -

Just up the  
blinds -

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May a continuation of lovely weather,  
very warm & pleasant, a bright sun - Henri rode  
out on horseback, Willie & Caro also enjoyed a  
ride on horseback - roads very dry, every  
where - this Willie & Caro went in the steamboat  
with M. le Cure - I did not care, to go - the



immense quantity of Mosquitoes, not to be told — it makes  
it disagreeable, to be out of an evening —

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May — a cool morning, N.W. wind —  
rather windy — the beautiful bright sun-time  
made it so pleasant — after luncheon — Henri &  
Willie drove down to the Falls — Henri on his return,  
went out on horseback — he feels, so much better,  
when, he can take exercise — this morning  
after breakfast, he walked to church — his feet,  
are so tender & painful, after a walk — after  
dinner, he sat out-side — & walked to the gate —  
he certainly took enough exercise to — May — Caro  
went to make her house, at church — this morning,  
this afternoon — she lounged, on the sofa, with  
a book — the foliage, is so rich & luxuriant —  
every thing, so beautifully green — woods  
very dry — but, full of lobes — Mrs. Curigone  
to the Abbeyside — only returns to-morrow

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May — cool weather, a N.W. wind —  
after breakfast, Henri walked about the grounds —  
after luncheon, he drove to the Hay — with Willie, only  
returned, in time for dinner — dear Caro had a  
fearful nervous head-ache — all night — & again  
all day, poor dear child, how did she do!

Caro, head-ache



Suffer! it was really pitiful, to see, her, in such acute pain — the 1<sup>st</sup> drop of aconite — it did not, allay, the pain — as I expected — This evening she is better — she felt, so chilled, all day — I kept, fire, in both stoves — she tried, to go out, to sit out side — could not bear, the wind — & fearing, she suffered more, from being out — she put herself on the sofa & remained there, all the time — God! grant, she may have a good night's rest, & be quite herself in the morning when Curie returned for dinner —

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May — again, a cool, windy morning, a chilly feel — Mr Lindley breakfasted here, this morning — he came to ask Willie, to go on with him, to Burlington, Willie was reminded of accepting his kind invitation, for this time, having business, to attend to, this week — Poor Caro is a little better — she still feels, chilly, & a slight head-ache — she remained indoors all day — Henri, walked about the garden, after breakfast — & rode out, on horseback, after luncheon — a cloudy afternoon, threatening rain, —



~~Friday~~ Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May - a pleasant morning - the weather became overcast, threatened rain, remained cloudy - the whole afternoon - before luncheon, Hanni rode out, & after, luncheon, he drove to Hambidge village with Willie - very dry roads - rough - in some places - Agnes Carr, is not well - she passed a bad night - her digestion is bad - she feels nervous - weak, & languid - I feel, wretched, when I see her, looking so delicate - It seems to me, she is getting thinner - I am unwell - I will send word - to Dr Bingham to come up to - tomorrow - I am quite upset, this morning - rain, has just set in, for the night - I fear

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - rain, during the night - roads muddy this morning - the bright sun, will soon dry them - lovely weather to - day - cool & pleasant - a great many people at church - Hanni did not go to Mass - it was his turn, to be garden - Agnes Carr - weak & languid - she came to Mass - but did not go to vesper - Dr Bingham came at my request - he says, Carr has taken cold - this weakness & nervousness - will soon leave her - she requires, exercise & going about - after vesper, he & Carr went to St George - returned in the evening - roads, quite dry - again -



Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May a most pleasant morning - after breakfast  
Henni rode out on horseback till lunch-time -  
this afternoon he drove to Bedford with Willie -  
Caro says, she is better, although, still weak &  
languid - she is looking pale & altered - it seems  
to me, she is getting thin - it upsets me, when  
I see her ailing - a cloudy afternoon - the  
myriads of Musquitoes, not to be told!

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May - much rain, during the night - and all day  
to - day, raining incessantly, roads, very bad, such  
holes! Willie drove to the Bury - went to get some  
mixture of Iron - for Caro - the Dr absent, could not get  
it - Henni obliged, to remain indoors, all day - Near  
Caro, weak & languid - complaining of a pain, in her  
back & between her shoulders - she looks pale & thin -  
it upsets me, to see her, in that state - she lounged  
on the sofa - the greatest part of the day -  
raining again to night - what a delay - for  
field work - & the garden also -

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May - a cloudy damp morning - this  
morning at 4 o'clock - 40 children, made their <sup>sole</sup> ~~sole~~ <sup>Communion</sup>  
Dear Children! they all looked, so pious, so subdued -  
Mr Le Cure addressed them three times - in most feeling  
language - he certainly, gives himself, a great deal  
of trouble, to impress them, with <sup>this</sup> important ceremony -



and august ceremony - the greatest & most important of their lives! A great many people attended - rain, again - it sat in at 10.0.0 A.M. - roads awful! Caro says, she is a little better - the pain, in her back better - God grant, she may soon regain, strength, & health - I feel, so anxious about her - young carrots - so delicious -

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May. St. Etienne - a heavy fog early, this morning - the sun came out, very hot & bright - the heat, at times, almost intolerable - but a very large crowd, at church to-day - the Procession, went on, after Mass - it was very solemn, very grand, the order, of the Procession was so perfect - the people, following, the different banners as directed, by Mr. Le Curé - the coup d'œil was very beautiful - several little boys, carrying little coloured flags - the two maîtres & the School mistress, Miss Volin, sang Cantiques with the Chantres - the Reposeur, was very great, & pretty - the road of the Procession is very beautiful - so well lined, on both sides, with such bushy trees - it is really unique - for this country - Henri & Caro remained in church, untill the return of the Procession - the Altar was most brilliant - the great number of tapers - was so beautiful - the parure - very rich & elegant - Caro, is better although, still a little weak - she has commenced



Love's Pups to take iron again - Yesterday the Dr sent her some, by the stage - he was here, to-day - he says, she requires air & exercise - a very sultry evening - thunder in the distance - Willie found, out, Love, this evening, with her little Pups - she had disappeared, since yesterday - she has four beautiful little Pups -

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May - rain during the night - a cloudy morning - the weather, brightened up - Clear & lovely - the Sun, came out, it was quite refreshing, to enjoy such charming weather - Caro better - she went to Church, this afternoon - Several persons at Salut, this evening - after luncheon - Henri went out on horseback - roads very muddy - the immense quantity of Mosquitoes is not to be told; Green - is preparing the plots - for flowers & for flower seeds -

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May - rain again during the night - roads very muddy - Caro went to church early, this morning, to receive - she felt better - I have an awful cold - Henri rode out, this afternoon - he went to the grand' ligne - few people at Salut - this afternoon - Willie ~~there~~ rode to Stambidge - village - returned by the rail - road, tracks - regretted, in some places, the road, was very soft - very bad - he rode - precious, Lameo! a very cold



evening quite a sudden change - Caro walked out after  
dinner, wrapped up - in a blanket shawl -

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May - a heavy frost, this morning - nothing  
injured, in the garden - a bright sun - a great  
many people at church - Henri came to vesper -  
he was, garden - during Mass - since, Evans - has  
left - he states, turns abroad, with Kniville - Caro  
continued, to improve, by degrees - she says - she  
feels, stronger, this evening - God! grant her health -  
my wish, a shade better - rain again to night

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May - when, shall we cease to say - rain  
during the night, rain, in the morning - & so on;  
a very cool, damp morning - roads windily - the  
sun came out, dried <sup>thawed</sup> up, a pleasant afternoon  
although very cool, wind N. W. - this afternoon  
Henri rode out - only came in for 6. o. c. P. M. -  
few people at Salut - Caro better - Green  
continued putting out, the rose trees in the beds,  
to-day - he commenced on Saturday - brought out,  
every plant, from the green-house - to-day  
he also, transplanted Malinas, the french daffodils  
also - a quantity of Calceolarias & Petunias -  
Henri takes a blue pill to-night - he feels the  
want of it -

all the plants out of the  
green house -  
blue pill



Stone in the servant's Hall

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Thunder, lightning, hail, and rain during the night - This morning it was bright & fair - a great many people at the 'Messe' before Henry feels rather weak, from the effect, of the blue pill, he took last night - still, he will derive benefit from it - his liver, was very sluggish - very lazy - I hope - he will be quite himself again, to-morrow - Caro, continues to improve, <sup>in health</sup> by degrees - she is out, all day - green - busy, cleaning up & regulating the walks in the garden - both above the stone in the servant's Hall.

Further finished  
sowing the carrots to-day  
3 rows  
Cucumber salad  
for dinner

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June - a cool morning, in fact, cool all day, too much so for the season - a grand 'Messe' - this morning - we commenced, 'Le Mois de la Reine' Caro, - Henry drove, after luncheon - he feels better, although, not yet, very strong - this afternoon, he rode, for a couple of hours - it threatens rain - I would regret it - as Caro, has been packing up, her traps - ready, to leave, early in the morning, for town - she will be very much disappointed, if, she is prevented going - by such weather - William & Caro, eat cucumber salad at dinner for the 1<sup>st</sup> time this season -



Several Priests came - James & Hugh came - Willie & Caro  
gone to town

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Most lovely weather, so bright & fair -  
my own dear children left this morning at 7 1/4 past 5 a.m.  
for the Soisante 1/2, en route for Montreal - I was so  
thankful, the weather, was so pleasant, they  
got there, at 7 1/4 past 7 a.m. - was dry - but, some  
very disagreeable holes - Dear Caro, sent word by  
Moise, she was not at all fatigued, with easy  
drive - after breakfast, Henri rode, down to Robert's,  
and after luncheon - he drove to Stanbridge village -  
he took Brew, with him - Messrs Desrosiers & Gauthier  
came for luncheon - what a charming sunny  
day! I hope & trust, this little trip, of Caro's will do  
her good - the change of air - will prove beneficial -  
she had not been to town since the 28<sup>th</sup> January -  
four months & four days; - Messrs Messtier, Provencal & St Aubin  
came this afternoon, to tend their services, to me le curé  
for the grand Fete of to-morrow - I was so agreeably  
surprised to receive a letter from my own dear Caro,  
the day, she is not at all fatigued & feels quite well -  
Dear Willie, wrote to his Father - James & Hugh, - arrived  
whilst, we were at dinner - James is looking, so well;  
we spent a pleasant evening, in the society, of all, these  
amiable Messrs les Prêtres - a shower of rain - this  
evening



All the Priests left

Willie returned

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - <sup>At</sup> the Sacre-Coeur - A pleasant morning  
a great many people at church - upwards of three  
hundred - persons. Received this morning - we had a  
most splendid Feast - Messire Provencat said grand messe -  
Messire le Aubin, was ~~last~~ Diaire, & Messire Gatincau  
Louis Diaire - Messire Resther, preached, he made a  
most beautiful discourse - he speaks, very plain,  
& so graphic, we all liked, his style - very much -  
the singing, was very good - Mr le Cure was at the  
organ, with Les Chantres - Willie accompanied, as usual,  
very nicely - we gave an early dinner, to all these  
Gentlemen - & they left at 2 o'clock P.M. - after dinner  
they had a game at nine-pins - which they enjoyed very much -  
a passing shower - again this evening - a fine  
rain - now -

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June - A pleasant day - after luncheon -  
Thur & James drove, to Stanbridge village - on returning  
they had a break-down, & were obliged, to walk - a  
couple acres - before, they could get, what they required  
to repair, the broken carriage - Willie arrived at  
1/2 past 4 o'clock P.M. - Delighted to see him, he gave such  
detailed accounts, about, my own dear Car - he left her, at  
St. Philaire, gay & happy & enjoying her visit there -  
the Bazaar - was well attended - Capt de Montmarché  
purchased, Car's handsome cushion - he gave \$5.00 - for  
it - the mosquitoes, by myriads - impossible, to sit  
out, of an evening - I received a letter from dear Car, I



should have received it - on Friday evening -

Henry, & little Jimmy came -  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - warm & pleasant, rather windy - much  
dust, a great many people at church - James was indisposed,  
did not go to Grand' Nepe - he sat, something, yesterday,  
which disagreed, with him - Henri went to Grand' Nepe -  
Fidishard, not having come - according to promise - I had  
to play, the organ, all the time - such a fatiguing, affair  
for me - after vesper - we le Cure left - en route - to  
town - he will take, the 1<sup>st</sup> train - in the morning -  
I miss my own dear Caro - still, I feel happy, to see  
her away, for change of air - Henry, & Whistler & Jimmy  
arrived at 5 o'clock P.M. - dear little Jimmy, was rather fatigued -  
a room about & enjoyed himself in the garden -

Henry & little left -  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - a windy morning - & heavy showers, in  
the forenoon, & the greatest part of the afternoon -  
James all right again - Jimmy was not, out, as much  
as he would have liked, it was so wet - Henri, went  
out, for a short time - it cleared up beautiful & bright - the  
weather became very cool - too much so for the season -  
Henry & little only left after dinner - at 4 o'clock - Jimmy  
remains with us - I hope he will not be lonely -  
he is such a dear little fellow - so reasonable -



Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June - cold for the season - a slight hoary frost this morning - really cold, all day - so very windy - wind N. W. - piercing cold - fire, in the stoves - after luncheon - Thuri drove, to the Bay - and Willie rode to Stanbridge-village - roads, very rough - holes, in every direction - Green - is ~~working~~ - the Animals to-day - better late, than never - Thuri, got an experience, made to-day, 15 bushels of lime - put on a  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an acre, in stubbles - ploughed up, after, a sowed ~~with wheat~~ - & harrowed - Green - went to lay the lime - but he has returned from town, this afternoon - Saw, Caro - he says, she is looking so well - a cold evening -

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June - again, a cold morning - a piercing N. W. - fire, in the stoves - Thuri rode out, after luncheon - Jimmy, continues to amuse himself, he does not seem lonely - he never speaks of the folks - roads - very dry - but rough - Green is still busy, sowing Animals - James enjoys a walk, in the garden - I feel thankful, to see Thuri, so much better, than usual - the mudgiates by myriads - every evening I receive a letter - from my own dear Caro -

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June - Rain all day - the house felt cold & damp - fire in the stoves - Thuri lounged on the sofa all day - Jimmy had to amuse himself, in the house - too wet - to go out - I wrote several letters to-day - it was a good day - for that kind of work - what a



very cool month of June, we have: the foliage is beautiful - so  
rich & luxuriant

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June - very cold & windy - a piercing wind  
from the N. W. - how, cold for the season -  
fire, in the stove - I regret having taken down, the  
stove in the Servant's Hall - Jimmy continues to  
amuse himself - he is not at all lonely - Willie intends  
to go for Caro to-morrow - how happy I shall be  
to see her back - Henri & Willie rode as far as  
the Irish settlement - where, the Locomotive,  
drawing rails, for the rail-road - it is about  
four miles from this place - a very cold  
evening - much appearance of severe frost -  
to-night - I fear very much - the plants will suffer

Henri goes to St John  
or, perhaps, Willie goes on  
to town to fetch Caro -

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June - A continuation of cold weather - in  
some places - frost, to injure several things -  
Henri & Willie left this morning for St John by the  
Saisante - cold, damp, & windy - a piercing  
cold wind - awful weather, for the season -  
I hope & trust, Henri will not take cold - he  
returns this evening - Willie goes on to town  
to fetch Caro - Dear child, I hope she will  
not feel, this cold disagreeable weather - I feel  
lonely - what an empty house! Dear little Jimmy  
amuses himself, very much - he is out, a great



all arrived at 4 o'clock P.M.  
deal - he gives no trouble - so obedient, he is a  
most lovable child - we shall only dine, at  
4 o'clock P.M. - to - night - as I expect, all my people,  
will arrive at that time - dear Caro, I long to  
give, her an affectionate kiss - I am so just out -  
little forgot his purse on his table - all well - but I am  
amused, my Caro may want money - he must only  
borrow - - they all arrived at 4 o'clock - Henri feeling very stiff -  
& fatigued, after being in the carriage for several miles -  
dear Caro, has returned looking, so well, so  
much stronger - her trip, has done her a world of  
good - she says, she is so happy to be home again.  
dear child - I am so delighted to see her back, &  
looking, in better health -

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June - a cold morning - a great many  
people at church - Henri still feels fatigued, from  
his journey - Jimmy came to supper - dear little fellow  
he is charming - roads are good - appearance  
of rain, again - - I have a head-ache - I am not  
inclined to scribble - - Misses Disney came to dine  
with us & he & she returned immediately after -  
a cool evening -

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June - pleasant weather, warm, bright  
& fair, a lovely sunshine - after luncheon - William  
Caro went out, on horseback, Caro enjoyed her ride



4th, Annie & little Annie  
came

very much - winds very good - Henri rode down to Roberts -  
he was out the whole afternoon - Father, Annie  
& her sweet little daughter, Annie, all arrived at 5 o'clock P.M. -  
we were delighted to see them - Jimmy, was happy  
to see his Mamma - but, still, he would prefer remaining  
here, with us, than, to return to St Johns - a lovely  
evening - but, the Mosquitoes, are in fearful numbers -

4th, Annie with  
Jimmy & Annie left

This day 14<sup>th</sup> June - intensely warm - charming weather - winds,  
very good - this morning after breakfast, Little & Annie  
left with their dear little children - we miss dear Jimmy  
Henri & Willie drove to the Bay - & their return, they  
rode out, on horseback - this afternoon - I have  
been busy packing up - my traps - to leave, early in the  
morning, for town - it is Henri's intention to come  
also - Willie of course - comes with us - to take  
care of us - my own dear Caro - remains at home  
with her Pepe - dear child! I fear, she will be lonely -  
Mr Le Sueur left for St Césaire - en route for St Hyacinthe  
he goes by land - as far as St Hilaire & takes the  
train from there - to St Hyacinthe - James, feels  
very lonely, he misses his children & grand children -  
a lovely evening - very warm - Mosquitoes by my nose -  
if I leave to-morrow - dear Caro - will write  
my journal - during my absence -



Work down the stairs

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June. Fair, very very warm.  
At 6 a.m. Dear Mamma, Papa & Willy left  
for Montreal. Mamma intends going on  
to St Helaire & to St Urs. Pepe and I are  
quite alone. We got the passage and trunk  
stove taken down this afternoon, they are  
making the renn-ménage upstairs.  
Received a short note from dear Mamma  
this evening, also one from Annie. Immense  
quantity of mosquitoes.

Green peas & cauliflower

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Fair & bright, very warm.  
Mr St Aubin & Mr Lambert called in the mor-  
ning, they did not remain for luncheon.  
Valdean & Philomene papered the dining  
room, finished the renn-ménage in the  
office & boudoir. Papa, M. Le Pine & Willy ar-  
rived at 3 p.m. Willy brought me a letter  
from my dear Mamma. She does not seem  
to enjoy her visit to Montreal; she leaves  
to-morrow for St Helaire. We had green peas  
& cauliflower for dinner.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Intensely warm. Remained  
indoors all day, did not feel well. Papa went  
out riding in the afternoon, Willy also. Pepe



Felt quite unwell during the night, he was very nervous all day. The men continue the work all round the ~~work~~ house, such a confusion! Wrote to dear Mamma, received a letter from her. She seems to be in better spirit, she has seen a number of her friends. ~~We have~~

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Exceedingly warm. Papa was out riding in the afternoon, as usual. Papa is much better, not at all nervous to day. Remained indoors almost all day. The rummage quite finished. Papa received a letter from dear Mamma she was leaving this afternoon for St. Louis with Mr Campbell.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Intensely warm. All went to Mass. Frothy & Theodore arrived for breakfast. Mr Lindley & Dr Brigham came for lunch & spent the day. Went to Vespers with Fred. After dinner we all played piquet. The gentlemen had a game at steple-chase. Retired early felt very much fatigued. I think my dear Mamma is much. Wrote to her in the afternoon.



Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Fair & bright, very pleasant, but rather warm. Pepe & Leo left at 6 1/2 a.m. Mr Lindley left very very early, & Dr Brigham after breakfast. Theodore left after luncheon. Leo weak & ill all day. Papa, Willy & I wrote to Mamma. Mr Paulin arrived at 8 p.m. Beautiful evening, not a great many mosquitoes.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June. Fine & bright, very warm. Mr Paulin brought his camera, and taught Willy how to take ambrotypes & photographs. We spent the whole day in the ball at which where the photographic salon had been arranged. Mr. G. Stabin, Mr. Deorey & Mr. St. came to lunch, the two latter remained for dinner. After dinner Papa & Willy drove out, went to see about some people stealing timber. Received two letters from my dear Mamma, she says she will come home on Thursday. How welcome that letter was! How delighted & happy I shall be to see my own dear Mamma home again. James M. Clond began to paint the house this morning.



Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Beautiful not too warm.  
M. Poulin & Willy took ambrotypes & photographs  
all day. M. le Cure & M. Poulin left at 4 p.m.  
for St George, they came back in the evening.  
James M<sup>r</sup> Cloud is painting the house,  
Louis & Lucier making a new platform  
everything. Hope all this will soon be finished.  
Received a letter from dear Mamma.

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Rain & thunder early in the  
morning; fine day, very warm. M. Poulin  
& M. le Cure left at 5 a.m. for Montreal.  
Willy left at 8 a.m. to go for Mamma. They  
arrived at 7 p.m. We were all so happy &  
delighted to see dear Mamma, it seemed  
so long since she had left. She is well,  
but looking a little fatigued.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June - very cool - I even find the house  
too cool - I remained indoors, all day - dear Caro has  
had a fearful nervous head-ache to-day - she took  
1 drop of Aconite - took rather a hot bath - still, felt  
no relief - only towards evening - dear child, how  
I had to see her suffer, like that - I am so happy to  
be home again - Willy left after breakfast - to go to  
St Martin - to see about, a Mule - for his Father -

Willy - gone to St Martin -



Henri is well - considering the change of temperature.

Thunder & rain  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June - warm & pleasant - Cars very  
much better - Mepine Lambert, came at 2 o'clock. He  
he remaining till Monday - he has come to replace  
Mr Le Cusé - much thunder & rain - a very heavy  
shower - what good, this rain, will do - the  
drought, is fearful - - Henri, was out on horseback  
this afternoon - Willie returned, this morning, from  
St Johns - after having gone to St Matthews - J. Dupier  
above him

Mepine Brown came  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Intense heat, all day - a  
great many people at church - Henri came  
to vesper - this afternoon Mepine Brown, from  
Dunham, came to pay a visit to Mr Le Cusé -  
not finding him at home, he remained with  
us - he is very gay & clever, very fond of  
music - Henri found him a very pleasant  
person - - this evening, Willie, Carl & Mepine Brown  
sang - we spent a pleasant evening - after  
dinner, they had a game of croquet - they gave  
it up, the rain, commenced, & the wind, so  
fearful, it poured rain the whole evening -



Howard's commenced - white walking  
the out-door building

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June - a very cold morning, for the season -  
I wrapped up, with my blanket shawl, to go to Mass -  
Freddie Brown, only left after luncheon - he seemed  
to have enjoyed his visit very much - Caro is  
all right again - Then went out on horseback  
the whole afternoon - a fine afternoon - a  
bright sun - Green, planted out, a great many  
things to-day - the rain of last night, did  
much good - a fine cool evening - after dinner  
Freddie Lamberth, Willie & Caro - played croquet -  
we have made 18 lbs of strawberry preserves -  
it is enough for this year -

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Pleasant weather, a lovely sunshine -  
Mlle Luri returned before luncheon from St Jean Baptiste -  
This afternoon, Caro went out driving, with her Father,  
she enjoyed her drive very much, she found, it had done her  
good - she is weak, dear child, the least exertion, fatigues  
her, even this morning - she made a bouquet of flowers,  
to put in the new centre piece, I have for flowers - she  
was quite done up - I really feel anxious - This afternoon  
Willie left for St Johns by the Cassante's - to go & fetch  
Mr Curilliv & Charlie - he returned at 4. o. c. P. M. - without  
them, I fancy, they missed their train - I heard the  
whistle of our rail-road, this afternoon - for  
the first time, it was in the ridge - what a  
pleasing sound - very soon, I hope we shall  
ride on it - Then after driving, rode out -



Mr. Quillier, Charlie, Caro

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Charming, lovely weather - a great many people at church - Henri went to grand messe - Dear Caro & I received this morning on our return from Mass - Great was our surprise, to find Mr. Quillier & Charlie arrived - they left town at 6.0. A.M. came by the 1<sup>st</sup> train to St. Johns - took a waggon & drove up - roads very good - enjoyed their drive - after supper - Charlie, Caro, & Willie had a game at croquet, they played again, after dinner - Mr. Quillier & I, walked about the grounds - a lovely evening - the mosquitoes very troublesome -

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June - a beautiful bright day - pleasant not too warm for me - My dear Caro, much the same - although she says - 'I am well', - she looks thin & weak - Mr. & Mrs. Quillier took an early breakfast - went to visit the schools - this morning, I saw the train pass - opposite the house - for the 1<sup>st</sup> time! - I cried out, 'look look at the train going past just!' I hailed, that beautiful sight with much joy! What a new area for us! This afternoon, Mr. Quillier, Charlie, Caro & I drove to see the men, laying down the iron on the rail-road - we walked as far, as where, they are building the bridge across Pike-River - we then drove up, the very H. Charles - to see the Locomotive, unloading gravel - for the road - it was so delightful, to see

the rail-road past



a fine ripe Melon

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all the people working & giving us the assurance - of  
soon riding on our rail-road - Willie drove us  
with Charlie - we enjoyed it all, very much - Green  
brought in, a delicious Melon - called Lady Pembroke -  
we have never had, Melons - so early - it is  
highly flavoured - much rain - to night - it  
is truly welcome -

more Melons -

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July - most lovely weather, not too warm -  
the rain of last night, has done much good -  
the accounts - last night, in the papers - about  
that fearful accident - caused by the negligence  
of the Engineer - on the Grand Trunk road - at  
the Bellevue Bridge - is terrific; - I have kept the  
account of it. - Henri rode this morning, &  
drove with Willie, this afternoon - he is unusually  
well - I feel so thankful for it - Green brought  
in, another Melon - to-day - & more ripening  
every day - Mrs de Caré took some slices of  
Melons, to prepare the Antoine - from la houe de  
la chose - it is early in the season - to eat  
Melons - Mrs Caro seems, rather stronger -  
God! grant her health - after dinner, Charlie, Caro  
& Willie played, croquet - Mrs Quilley & I walked about  
the garden - rain this morning -



Henri Pontillier Lewis Drummond came.

Saturday 2<sup>d</sup> July - a rainy morning - I. C. - wind -  
fine growing weather - the Children made  
la seconde ~~pre~~ Communion - dear Caro - is still  
a little weak & languid, although, she will not, own  
it - yesterday, playing the Piano - fatigued her -  
it makes me miserable, to see her - in that  
weak state - it rained - much - all day - what  
good, it will do! Henri obliged to remain indoors, on  
account of the continued rain - - it has been a long  
day for him - we talked & worked all day - -  
Johnny McCloud - obliged, to stop painting & sanding -  
the house - & the Menard's also, stopped, white-washing -  
Henri & Lewis Henri Pontillier Lewis Drummond arrived  
by the stage - we had rain to - night - again -

Sunday 3<sup>d</sup> July - a cloudy morning - Mass was at 1/2 past 9 a.m.  
this morning & helpers at 1/2 past 11 a.m. - M. le Curé, having  
to leave, after luncheon - for St. Césaire, to meet the Bishop -  
we sent him, a nice Melon - pour la nouveauté - this  
afternoon - Henri went out on horseback - & Com. Henri, Lewis,  
Charlie & Willie, played at Croquet, the whole afternoon - they  
only came in - for dinner - this evening, there was  
lots of music & singing - Charlie, was in great spirits -  
a cool evening - a clear sky - appearance of fine  
weather -



Messrs Archambault & Brown came  
and left

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July - exceedingly cool, for the season - at 3 1/2 past 5 o. c. l. h.  
Mr Boultichir & Charlie, left for the Sorbonne's - Willie, drove them  
& went on, as far as St John's with them - saw them, to the  
train - & returned immediately by the return of the train  
arrived here, at 11 o. c. a. m. - Messrs Archambault & Brown  
came, in time for luncheon - they were disappointed  
at not finding, Mr le Curé at home - we enjoyed  
their visit, immensely - they left for St George at 2 o. c.  
we regretted to see them, go so soon - Mr Archambault  
was much pleased, with the grounds - he went every  
where - Messrs Brown, Willie, Cass, Henri & Lewis - had  
a game, at croquet - & a little tennis - after luncheon -  
Henri rode out this afternoon - Lewis, Henri & Willie  
rode to Bedford - the horses out, here, Cameo, Puff  
& Jerry - a very very cool evening - Mr le Curé went  
to sleep at St George -

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July - warm & windy - fine sunshine -  
after breakfast, Henri rode, to St George, to hear & see  
what, was going on, at the meeting of the Parishioners  
about the division, of the Parish - Dr Bingham  
came to - stay - presented Quaker for Cass -  
after luncheon - Henri drove to Cambridge - village -  
roads very good - Mr le Curé went to St Alexandre  
to meet Messrs Archambault & Brown -  
Willie & Henri Boultichir rode - Lewis drove with Henri  
this evening after dinner, they went boating - raining  
to night -



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Henry Jimmy arrived

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July much rain till 2.0. P.M. when the sun came out, by intervals - cool & pleasant - roads very muddy - Carl complained of a slight headache to-day Henri, Lewis & Willie had a game at nine-pins, they were deprived of riding out - the roads being so muddy - Henri drove about the establishment - only - as he had returned early this morning - Jimmy McCloud is getting on, nicely, with the sanding of the house - this afternoon, at 5.0. P.M. Henry arrived to bring Jimmy to spend some time - to take him away from the contagion of small-pox - Apolline is very much better - but of course - Jimmy cannot return to his home - for some days - he has been living, at his Uncle Henry's - ever since, Apolline, was taken - with the small-pox - a fine evening they all went to play, croquet, after dinner -

Henri, Willie,  
Lewis Drummond &  
Henri Bouschell, all left  
for town

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July - a foggy morning - the sun came, bright & breezy - warm & pleasant - this morning, Henri, Willie, Lewis Drummond & Henri Bouschell, all left for the Viscount's, en route for town - Henry left also at the time, for Apolline's - roads - rather muddy, at that hour - after all the rain - of yesterday - Jimmy does not seem as gay & lively as usual - I hope he will soon resume, his playfulness - Carl spent the day out - tide, with her boxes - this morning



Mr Lindsley & Mr Peak

We had a visit from Mr Lindsley & Mr Peak, from Burlington we walked about the grounds - after a little rest - they left - Mr Lindsley regretted Henri had not written, to say he wished to re-visit, the farms, by rail - as Mr Peache would have taken him & his party, down, immediately - we shall soon avail ourselves of that delightful mode of travelling - Messire H. Robin, came to take Luncheon, with Mr Le Curé & returned, soon after -

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July - warm & pleasant, lovely sunshine what charming weather, Henri has, in town - I hope, it will fair & bright to-morrow, when he returns home - Caro as usual, spends the greatest part of her time in the garden - she looks better - Jimmy is enjoying himself - sounds beautiful - the Saw-mill has been, doing some little work, since or couple days - the painting & sanding of the house - is going on, nicely -

Henri & Willie arrived

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July - intensely hot to-day - a burning Sun - Caro, is pretty well, considering the heat - at 10.0 P.M. Brew, left for the Bois-aute, to bring back. Henri & Willie, he went with Mr Le Curé's horse, & Regis's horse - a nice little span - they looked well, on the 1/2 covered buggy - Jimmy goes about, he says, he is not lonely - Henri & Willie arrived at 7.0 P.M. glad to get home - a lovely evening -



Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July - very warm - a great many people  
at church - Henri came to grand messe - joining  
to masses - it threatens rain, this afternoon -  
Henri went out on horseback - to take his  
usual ride - the heat continued, to be intense -

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July - the heat intense & heavy, choking, after  
much rain, during the night, roads were very  
muddy, this morning, the sun came out  
searching hot - after luncheon, Henri & Caro  
went out for a drive, as far as Miss's Mills, on  
their return, they were taken, in a most  
fearful shower of rain, it came down  
by torrents - fortunately, Henri had just time  
to drive under, a large shed, at Mr. Thorne's -  
it thundered, & rained furiously, with a strong  
wind - quite a storm, a few hail stones, fell -  
I was, in such a state of anxiety - not knowing  
where they were - & fearing, they might get  
wet, & be ill - I knew, they had left, Courville des  
francs, without, a cloak or shawl - I was  
so relieved, when I saw them arrive & say  
they had had time, to make themselves comfortable  
before the rain - overtook them - Jimmy  
is hoarse, it makes <sup>me</sup> so anxious! I always  
fear cold -

Henri & Caro, out driving  
taken in a shower



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Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July - very pleasant weather, with a fine sunshiny  
 rain during the night - the roads dried up, immediately -  
 Henri was out on horseback, the whole afternoon -  
 A threatened rain, this afternoon, the sky became  
 overcast, it soon, passed away - & the weather was  
 bright & lovely - a charming cool evening - fine - all  
 night again - Caro is improving, in health -  
 a glorious sun set -

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July - a cloudy morning, cleared up bright & fair, at  
 11 o'clock - we took an early luncheon - & Willie, Caro & I  
 left for St George - to attend the Examination, of the young  
 Ladies, & the Concert of La Presentation - and a superb, &  
 most efficient Leance it was - we were most interested,  
 & gratified, to witness, so much talent, cleverness, & study,  
 among, the numerous scholars, that were present -  
 in all branches of education, they have succeeded - how much  
 they must have studied, to obtain, so much knowledge -  
 the music - very good - the boy - enacted, scenes & was  
 admirably well - a little fairy, la petite fée, by a little  
 girl of 4 years old - it was very good - in fact the  
 whole thing - was perfection - M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Aubin - was  
 highly pleased - and well, he might be - those charming  
 M<sup>rs</sup> of La Presentation, are perfect teachers - we  
 returned home, late, it was past 8 o'clock P.M. - we took  
 an exceedingly late dinner - Caro was very tired - Henri  
 was out, on horseback, & then, driving, in the afternoon -  
 I am very tired this evening - I have a head-ache -

Les Cossins de St George



Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. Intensely hot, all day - a bright warm -  
 Sun - Caro sat in the shade the whole day - Henri was,  
 busy going about, getting men & one thing, another -  
 for the work, doing, at the Mane - much reparations  
 being needed there - he drove in the morning & rode  
 in the afternoon - Caro & I walked to church after  
 dinner - as we were going along, we saw Robt & Thodore  
 arrive - a lovely evening - a bright moon -  
 the whole place, is looking so neat & tidy - the  
 old stables, white washed, give them, quite a  
 respectable appearance - the barns are looking well -  
 it is so nice, to hear, the noise of the rail-road  
 going bye! very soon, we shall, take advantage  
 of it - to go to St Johns - what a new area! for us!

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July - a continuation of dense heat - after  
 breakfast - Whisker left with dear little Jimmy - Willie  
 went on to St Johns, with them - they drove, in the same  
 waggon - Willie, brings back, waggon & horse, of Robt's  
 as he leaves - for Terenbourne - tomorrow - he prefers  
 his horse, to remain, here - than, in his own stable -  
 we miss Jimmy - after luncheon - Henri & Caro  
 drove to the Bay - in the half covered buggy - with  
 Charlie horse - I Mr Le Cure returned this morning  
 from to Stambidge village - to visit the schools -  
 Theodore - is amusing himself - going about the  
 establishment - Willie arrived from St Johns at  
 9 a.m. V.M. - he enjoyed his drive, in the cool, of the evening -



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There were left at 9 o'clock in  
by the gravel train -

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July - not quite, as warm as yesterday  
still, the same very hot - a little rain - needed -  
Henri takes a great deal of exercise, this morning  
on his Pscolo - after luncheon, he drove with Caro,  
and on his return, out again, on horseback upon  
ferry - Caro enjoys her daily drive with her father  
very much - roads very fine - Theodore left this  
morning by the gravel train, for the poles - the  
locomotive - is busy, going from the poles - here  
bringing, the iron, gravel, & whatever needed, for  
the building of the road - Theodore, to the advantage  
of its going down - running over, his 16 miles, in  
less than, an hour <sup>even</sup> - this mode, of travelling, will  
benefit us very much - a lovely evening -  
received by our rail - road - a host of sleep - for time.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July - intense heat, a great many at church.  
Henri rather likes this hot weather - It agrees  
well with him - I was not well - this afternoon  
retired early - we continue, to eat Melon, many day-  
green, things there in - every day, since a fortnight  
the he has, brought in - a few ripe summer apples.  
this afternoon -

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July - a pleasant day, not too warm,  
the roads are beautiful - Henri was out on  
horseback, this morning, & drove with Willie this  
afternoon, in the half covered buggy, with Charlie horse



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How Sister - end -  
by our train -

Willie's mare - Caro did not go out driving to-day  
she preferred remaining, sitting outside with  
her book - a lonely evening - Hon. Mr. Foster - arrived  
this evening by our train, the first visitor, come  
to us by the train - he did not remain here  
long, Willie drove him to Bedford -

Meeting of the Directors -  
at the City -  
our staff was -

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July - a continuation of hot weather,  
the rising sun, this morning, was like a  
globe of fire - I went to Mass - early, 1/2 past 6. a. c.  
breakfast, on table, at 1/2 past 7. a. c. for Henry &  
Willie - who left immediately after - for the  
Bay - to attend, at the meeting, of the Directors  
of our rail-road - Mrs. C. went to St. George  
after breakfast - Caro, sits out, all day, breathing  
all the fresh air, she can get - Henry, Willie  
& Mr. Lindsley came for dinner, after 6. a. c. -  
we sat out, the whole evening -

Mr Lindsley left -

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July such intense heat; we saw  
a heavy shower, gathering; after luncheon -  
Henry & Caro were to have gone driving, when  
it commenced to rain, by torrents, thunder, in  
the distance; Mr Lindsley had left, for Swanton  
a few moments previous - Caro has had a very  
bad headache - all day - after the rain, the  
sun, came out, so hot, the temperature, so fearfully



Suffocating - it was showery the whole morning, this rain,  
will do, so much good - It is astonishing, the  
water, that has fallen, in such a short time -  
the dam, is again in operation, they have finished  
repairing the dam -

What a sudden change of temperature - since yesterday! to town - near City  
the platform train  
from here - 1<sup>st</sup> time

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July - what an extraordinary change of  
temperature! it is quite cool - not, to say, cold!  
this morning, the air was cold - North wind -  
after, such, continued, intense heat, the  
very, sudden change, is much felt - obliged  
to dress, much warmer, than usual - dear  
Caro, suffered, most excruciating pain - in her  
head - last evening - it was painful, to see  
her, in such a state of suffering - to-day  
she feels better, from her head - but, she is  
nervous, & out of sorts, she feels chilly - she  
requires a change - This morning, Henri & Willie  
took their breakfast at a 1/4 past 6 a.m. & drove,  
about, 14 acres, to take the platform train, which  
had come, to their convenience, to take them, down,  
to St Johns, to take, the 8 o'clock a.m. train, to St Lambert,  
& reach town at 1/2 past 9 o'clock a.m. - how much  
Henri enjoyed, the pleasure - of going, to such a  
short distance - to take the train - instead, of  
driving 11 long miles, to the Soixante's! what  
an improvement, for us - an exceeding cool  
evening! -



Old autumnal weather

Henri & Willie returned

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - regular October weather - so cold & chilly - a piercing North wind - rain, in the forenoon - a threatening more, a cold rain - Caro, has again, a tendency, to a bad head-ache - I feel so miserable, to see in pain - I had a note, from Willie, last evening, telling me, to send for them, at their road stopping they would arrive by the Platform-train, at 7.15 past 5.00 P.M. - I hope, they will - I will only continue, scribbling - after their arrival - how cold & disagreeable - I wore my blanket shawl, to go to church to-day - really, if there was any stones up, in the house - I would get fire made! Henri & Willie arrived at 7.00 P.M. frozen, till, saying they had had a very nice trip - & like the platform Char very much - a very cold evening -

Caro went out on horseback

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - a very cool, damp, disagreeable morning - I went to church in the cab - It rained this morning - Henri complains of a gouty pain in his knee - will wrap it up to-night, in oil - & etc - I have been ill, all day, remained in bed, pains, cold, I must have taken - I hope it, will not be, an attack of inflammation - I have had recourse, to my usual, remedies - God! grant I may be all right to-morrow - before Fletcher Caro rode out, with Willie, & in the afternoon she drove, with her Father, the sun came out, warm & pleasant - I am a shade better this evening -



Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July - very warm & smoky - a great many people  
at Church, Caro told us so, as heister Henri or I  
went to Mass - Henri took a pill this morning - his  
knee, still stiff, but not painful - he walked in  
the garden - no further - I am much better - got  
up for luncheon - M<sup>r</sup> le Curé left for St. Alexandre  
this afternoon, en route, to Montreal - Willie drove  
to the Bay - returned in the evening - a  
delightful warm pleasant evening -  
Messire Gatinseau, has come to replace, M<sup>r</sup> le Curé  
during his absence -

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Mamma ill with an attack  
of inflammation, she remained in bed all  
day and took 25 drops of Morphine. She felt  
a little better this evening. Papa & Willy went  
out driving in the afternoon. Papa suffers a  
little from jointy pains in his knee.  
M<sup>r</sup> Melais called in the afternoon. Received  
a letter from Blanche. Pain in the evening

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July. Cloudy warm. My dear Mamma  
is better, but exceedingly weak, I saw her twice  
in the evening. Willy drove to Phatay-cource.  
Papa & I have taken a very long drive in



the afternoon. Roads very good.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July. Fair & bright, warm. My dear Mamma is much better, she came down stairs, & lie on the sofa in the parlour the whole day. Dr. Brigham came to lunch. Papa & I went out driving. Wrote to Uncle Bonchette & to Mr. Boutillier. M. le Comte arrived by the stage. Cool evening.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Very warm. My dear Mamma continues much better, although still very weak. Papa & I went out driving in the afternoon. Mr. Moore called.

Henri, commenced to take a decoction of Ale. leaves, this afternoon -

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July - much rain, during the night threatening, the greatest part of the forenoon - cleared up, in the afternoon, the sun came out rather a dampish evening, withal - Caro finished a pretty piece of fret work to-day, a card bathub - I am very much better, although, a little weaker. Henri, had a fell, a little gouty - it did not prevent him from riding - he took his usual exercise on horseback - Henri commenced to take a decoction of Ale. leaves this afternoon



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Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July. rather a damp morning - but cleared  
up, with a hot sun - a very intensely <sup>warm</sup> afternoon -  
Dr Brigham came to take luncheon, with us -  
he says, Cars must ride & drive - take quaffs & ~  
& the mill & soon, be quite strong & rugged again -  
She went out driving with her Father - their  
daily drive - Henri went out on horseback  
before dinner - a lovely evening - the garden is looking  
lovely - I still feel weak -  
Henri intends to continue taking the ash-leaf tincture for  
some days - he takes 3 tumblers a day -

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July - Intensely hot all day - Henri was not  
well during the night, he remained indoors to - day -  
he has given up, drinking, the tincture of ash-leaves  
for the present - he feels poorly - the trouble of the  
matter is, that, he should have taken a blue pill  
long ago - the Dr, have repeatedly said - he must  
take a blue pill now & then, to keep up, the action  
of the liver - he took a teaspoonful of Pineture Whitebark  
to-night, it heated his bowels - I was very weak, all  
day, meant to walk - but could not go, to bed -  
Willie went to the Chatterbox's race-course, after bed -  
returned late to his dinner - I have a fearful  
headache -



Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Augt - an intense hot morning - Henri  
rather better, still, not yet free, from his uneasiness  
about his chest - again obliged, to take another Vermorel -  
he also, drank, rose water - he insisted, on going  
out on horseback - he was not out, ten minutes,  
when, the rain commenced to fall by torrents, &  
it continued to pour rain, the whole afternoon -  
to-day, being the one, of my fête - Caro addressed  
me, a most feeling & affectionate, compliment -  
it was remarkably well worded & spoken, most  
feelingly, at the same time, Willie & herself  
presented me, a pretty Carcase, coming from  
M. le Curé - something very new, a time piece,  
set, in a small looking glass - meant to be put,  
on the toilet-table - It is too pretty, for an  
old woman - I will put it, where, it should  
~~be~~, on Caro's table - a very damp evening  
Henri, takes a blue-pill to night - he does  
not feel well -

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Augt Much rain & thunder during the night  
rain - again this morning, by torrents - Henri's  
blue pill of last night, did him much good - the  
uneasiness in his chest, quite gone - but, the  
gout, makes itself felt, in his shoulder &  
thigh, he only got up for luncheon - this  
weather, much against him - he will calomel  
to-night - Caro & I were to have gone to attend



organ was tuned to-day -

Willie & Caro went to town - but not the platform car.

Colchicum -

The examination of the children - of Florence Duguet's school -  
we were deprived of going - on account of the rain -  
No. 6 Curie's Willie went - returned much pleased & satisfied  
saying, they were surprised to find, so many good  
scholars - among the number - after luncheon  
Caro walked about the grounds - it is damp - I fear  
she exposed herself to take cold - Mr Warren, came  
to-day - to tune the organ in church - Henri is  
suffering - he is all out of sorts - God! grant, he  
may soon, get over this attack;

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Augt - a very cool morning, quite a sudden change  
of temperature - windows & doors, closed all day - at  
1/2 past 6, D. & C. M. - Willie & Caro left on the platform car  
for St Johns on route to Montreal - I made wraps a great deal,  
& still as it is - I fear she may have taken cold, & to crown  
the whole affair, it has been raining, the whole day -  
I am certain, she will be ill on her return, Henri passed  
a bad night, had no sleep, before morning - his hand  
swollen, his elbow stiff & painful - he remained in bed  
all day - this hot weather, is much against him -  
he took a Desser spoonful of Colchicum & his usual pill  
last night, & another C. L. pill this morning - to night,  
he will follow the same treatment - Ah! me, but, I  
am anxious about Caro! God! grant, she may not,  
take cold & be ill, - I feel very lousy - I have done  
all my writing to-day, in Henri's room - I busied myself  
in the forenoon, preparing to receive, our grand reunion, on Saturday



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a very cool evening, continues to rain, winds very muddy -  
much rain fallen -

Willie & Caro returned  
from town

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> most disagreeable cloudy, damp  
weather - the house, feels damp - Henri better,  
would have got up, to-day, only found it so  
damp & disagreeable preferred remaining in  
his warm comfortable bed - his head quite  
on the mend - this evening, he continues  
much better - & will only take his usual pill, C. & L.  
Willie & Caro arrived at 11 A.M. - having left  
Bonaventure station at 8.0 A.M. 10 minutes - they found  
the platform car, in readiness for them, on their  
arrival - it seems, they had not, heard, so much  
rain, in Montreal, as we had here - after all,  
Caro says, they had a very pleasant trip - they  
spent the evening at Miss Curvillier's, enjoyed  
themselves immensely - Caro seems inclined  
to a cold in her head - she feels a little  
fatigued this evening - I have been busy, preparing  
beds - for all the Prêtres - coming to-morrow  
a fresh day -



Madame Poulin's diary

Les Révérends Pères  
Moyet & de Mestre

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> A disagreeable damp morning, cool,  
it cleared up in the forenoon, the sun came out,  
warm & pleasant — it was so delightful, the  
house felt so damp, I was anxious, to have the  
fire, to pour in, to make it rise & warm —  
& lose heat — Henri passed a pretty good night,  
his hand still, swollen, his little finger painful,  
he got up after luncheon — came downstairs,  
remained on the sofa for sometime, then walked  
out, in the yard, to look at my Van carriage,  
just varnished — then, went as far as the gable  
end of the house — the nice warm sun — seemed  
to do him good — this evening his hand — is  
much swollen — he will take a teaspoonful of Colchicum  
& his usual pill, C. & L — Messrs Poulin, & Deborey  
arrived at 5 o'clock P. M. — Mr Y. & C. — Les Révérends Pères  
Moyet & de Mestre — arrived — the latter, amused,  
us very much, relating his story, among the  
Indians — he was Missions at la Rivière Rouge for  
5 years — he is very clever —

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> A pleasant morning, the sun  
came out very hot — it was rather sultry — a  
great many people received this morning — we  
commenced la semaine préparatoire à la fête de l'Assomption  
Henri better, although weak & languid — he got up  
for luncheon — the gout, is very tedious, this time,  
it keeps about, his elbow, his hand, is on the mend,



Messire St Aubin came  
with me

Messire St Aubin arrived for luncheon - at 2 o'clock. He  
they all went to church, to hear Confessions, until  
6 o'clock - we dined at 1/2 past 6 o'clock - Messire Poulin, Willie  
& Caro made, a very large balloon - they worked  
in the ball alley - a heavy shower, this afternoon -  
They continued much better - no celebration to night  
Whisker, came by the stage this evening - so happy to  
see him -

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August fête de la Vierge - A hot morning  
very damp - much rain & thunder, during the night -  
dawned up about 9 o'clock - A. M. - A great many people  
at church - 400 received this morning - we had a  
most magnificent feast - I regretted very much  
that we were deprived, of coming off to church - he is better -  
but, not yet well enough to go out - he got up  
during Mass - his hand on the crucifix - we had  
a splendid Mass - the singing very good, Mr. Pore  
Maître, sang grand messe, Messire St Aubin was Diacon.  
Messire ~~Henry~~ ~~Louis~~ Messire Poulin Louis Diacon  
Mr. P. Moyer Preached - as usual, remarkably well -  
Willie & Caro went to offer, our Pain Beinte - little  
Fatmin collected - bedposts, were superb - the  
singing uncommonly good - Mr. Le Cui sang  
the Magnificat at Mass - & the Sub-tym at Salut -  
very nicely - the whole of the feast was  
most beautiful, I have never seen it, so fine -  
Whisker, played, most sweetly - this afternoon  
they all, had great fun at Croquet - this



evening the weather is lovely so calm & pleasant -  
at 10.0 P.M. - Messire Poulin, Pere Mestre & Willie prepared  
every thing necessary, to send up the balloon, it  
was in readiness, when, Messire Poulin, was in the  
act, of putting more spirit of wine, to complete  
inflating it - it unfortunately took fire & <sup>the balloon</sup> was  
consumed in a moment - What a pity - it  
was so large! quite a disappointment!  
He left immediately after dinner - Regis took him to St John's.

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> a cool morning a bright  
forenoon & a cloudy evening - threatening  
rain, since lunch time - Messire Poulin, &  
Cure, went to work again, to make another  
balloon - I hope they will succeed better, this  
evening, in its ascention - Pere Mestre & Willie  
helped also, to its construction - There would be  
so much better, were it not, for his elbow -  
which, is stiff, & prevents, the free use, of his  
arm - he got up at 10.0 A.M. - lounged on the  
sofa the whole day - sat out, only for a  
short time, Pere Mestre rode with Willie, before  
luncheon - & this afternoon M<sup>r</sup> le Cure went to  
St George, to mark out the place, for the  
Church, to be built, in the new established Parish  
called - St Sebastien, it cuts, the Parish of St George  
just in two - Pere Royer drove there, with  
M<sup>r</sup> le Cure, & Messire Poulin drove Pere Mestre,  
in the small waggon - they enjoyed their

Messire St Aubin & Desrochers left -  
M<sup>r</sup> le Cure, went to St George, to mark the place, for the  
new Church, in the new Parish of St Sebastien.



James & Catherine Oliva

fine very much - Messrs M Aubin & Leforay left early, this morning - we sent Regis, to the Spicante's to fetch James & Catherine Oliva - who arrived at 4 o'clock P.M. - shortly after their arrival - Messrs Pontin sent up, his handsome balloon, made to-day - it went up beautifully - we soon lost sight of it - this evening much rain & thunder -

Les Reverends Pères Poyet & Mestres Messrs Pontin

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> a close damp morning, cleared up, the sun came out, very hot - Henri much better, got up for breakfast - a ride out - after luncheon - his hand, is still weak - this morning at 1/2 past 5 o'clock Poyet & Mestres & Messrs Pontin left - they went by the Spicante's - roads very muddy - I have a head-ache - I am so thankful to see Henri well enough to ride his favorite Piccolo; rain & thunder to night - a very damp evening -

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> a gloomy, smoky, morning, damp & disagreeable, the sun, peeps out, very red & hot - Henri continues to improve in health - he rode out, was obliged however, to hasten back, as a heavy shower, came on in a moment - James & Willie drove out - Catherine & Caro walked about the grounds - we le Curi left this afternoon, for St Alexandre en route to town - appearance of more rain - my the Anniversary of my birth - day to-day - ah! bless me; how old I am!



Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Augt - early this morning a heavy shower rain, a  
general loud claps of thunder - it cleared up, most beautiful  
weather, a bright sun, cool lovely temperature, Ann  
is all right again - went out on horseback before  
a after luncheon - James, Catherine, Willie & Caro drove  
to the rail-road crossing, they went to see the bridge  
over Pike-river - they walked over it - I was busy with  
Louis Poissier, replacing the great number of missing  
shells, in the shell house - I hope, they will not be  
taken away - the garden, is looking lovely -  
Mr Leake returned from town, this evening - & he  
brought me a magnificent Cardean - 4 side ribbe  
so beautifully plated & such a pretty oval shape! -  
so new & fashionable - I am quite proud, of my  
Cardean - a very cool evening - Willie takes a blue &  
pill to - right - he feels greatly -

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Augt - a very cool morning, the sun,  
came out so warm & pleasant - Ann continues  
to improve - rides out a great deal - he  
does enjoy his exercise on horseback so much!  
This afternoon, Catherine, James, Willie & Caro  
played a game at croquet - Poor Willie feels  
weak - after his blue pill & two sedatives he  
took this morning - his tongue is yet  
furred - he has taken cold - I fear -  
a cloudy evening, it threatens rain -



Willie went to town & returned  
James & Catherine Oliva left -

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> - A cloudy morning - cleared up  
became bright - This morning at 3 1/4 past 5 a.m.  
Willie left for town, by the Soisante's - he feels  
much better & says, he is all right again -  
Henri is well - goes about a great deal on  
horseback - he feels a little stiffness, about his  
elbow, otherwise, he is all right again -  
after luncheon - James & Catherine Oliva left  
for St Johns - Joe Luppier, drove them, to the Soisante's -  
they seemed, to have enjoyed their visit, here -  
a pretty evening - Willie returned from town at  
9 a.m. - he says, they had two or three flowers,  
in town - he had no pain here, it threatened  
only - Willie, is not at all fatigued, from his  
trip to town - Cora is getting on nicely -  
God! grant her health - he took, 1 of Dr Briggs' pills -  
to-night -

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> - the heat, intense - a great many people  
at church - Henri went to grand' Mass - Willie continues  
to feel weak - he again, took, 2 of Dr Bingham's pills, to-night,  
& a scidlitz in the morning - his tongue, is still furred -  
no doubt, he requires a good purgation - I wish  
Dr Bingham, were here! he is still, in the States -  
a lovely morning - - Henri rode this afternoon -  
Cora feels, ~~inclined to have~~ her head-ache, coming  
on - I hope & trust, she will not be deprived of  
sleeping - -



Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> charming weather - a cool morning - the heat, rather intense, in the afternoon - Henri drove, to Sturbridge this afternoon - winds very good - Willie not yet right - he still feels grievously & languid - he took Leidlitz, & 2 tumblers Plantaguet - without, he still feels, uncomfortable & breaks - he took brother port-wine, at his dinner, a bit chicken & brandy & water - I am quite just out, to see him, so out of sorts - it makes him feel annoyed, at being in ill health, particularly, as he intends to go to town in the morning - Henri speaks of going also - I put down a pretty new stair carpet - to-day - Caro is well -

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> this morning early - it threatened rain - very much - so much so, that I felt quite put out, to see Henri leaving for town, fearing he would expose himself to get rain - it cleared up in the forenoon - the sun came out, bright & hot - again this afternoon, the sky has become overcast - I hope - it will clear up - again - I expect a party this evening, at 1/2 past 6. A. E. - coming with Henri & Willie - Caro, has a slight head-ache - I hope it will not last - Willie was better, this morning - the trip, to town, I hope & trust, will not fatigue him - at 4 P. M. Judge Monk, Miss Sykes, Louisa Cuddeker Louisa Monk & her brother Wentworth, all arrived with Henri & Willie - I was truly happy to see them all - this evening we had Carole & Musie - retired very late -

Judge Monk, his daughter Henri & Willie went to Sturbridge - Miss Sykes, before by the platform train & home - all ahead -



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Wednesday - 17<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>st</sup> a little rain in the morning notwithstanding, they had a game at croquet, after breakfast - after luncheon - Miss Symes, Carr, Wentworth & Willie went out riding - Mr & Mrs left this morning at 9 AM for St Hyacinthe - a cloudy afternoon - at 3 PM Judge Brown left for St Cesaire - this evening we walked to church - on our return there was music & singing - retired at 1/2 past ten AM - Cloudy evening -

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>st</sup> A lovely morning so bright & cool - after breakfast, we went to visit the Sexton & the great mill - until luncheon - they all went to have a game at croquet - Messrs St Aubin, Desrosiers & Gauthier came to take lunch - they were surprised to find Mr & Mrs away - this afternoon - all the young party - drove to the Bay - Willie drove them in my Van - Carriage - they returned, highly pleased with their drive - the Priests left before dinner - I have a fearful head-ache - Theni rode a great deal - after breakfast, after luncheon, & even, sometimes, after dinner - most charming weather - a lovely evening -



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Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> a cloudy damp morning - cleared up,  
 Henry as usual takes a great deal of exercise on horseback,  
 the young party rode out - I went to church, in  
 the afternoon - This morning after, having visited the  
 vestier - Miss Lyones, with a Westcott, went out in the  
 whiff - Mr Lintley & Mr Jones took luncheon here -  
 Mr Bingham came - he dined here - & played 9 pins  
 with Louise my niece & Louisa Moulton - in the evening,  
 Caro took out her guitar to the garden, played & sang in  
 the woff house - Louise C. & I went to church -  
 Mr le Cure returned this evening from St Hyacinthe -  
 as usual - la priere en Commun - much music  
 & singing to night - what a dear charming girl,  
 Miss Lyones is - she is a decided favorite, with  
 us - a fine evening -

Judge Moulton - Father & Mother  
 Charles Westcott arrived  
 Miss Lafrance, came

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> cloudy damp morning, cleared up - and  
 after breakfast - we all went, in the steam boat, as  
 far as Lake - they all enjoyed it very much - in  
 the afternoon, Henry & Miss Lyones drove - Louisa Moulton  
 & Caro, had a drive, Louisa Moulton, was delighted to  
 drive herself - ferry on Caro's waggony Louise C. went  
 about the grounds - in the afternoon, they all  
 walked to church - I had a fearful head-ache -  
 Miss Lafrance, arrived, we were so happy to see him -  
 during dinner, Father & dear Charles Westcott came  
 in - a little later - Judge Moulton arrived - much  
 music in the evening - a pleasant evening -



Messire Lafrance left

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> A very nice pleasant day - a great many people at church - we had a beautiful Mass - good singing - the altar, beautiful, vestments & Salut brilliant - the parure, very pretty - Miss Symes, Caro & Willie sang the Masses - Mr le Curé was in voice, he sang well - after Mass - they played croquet - in the shade earlier than usual, on account of Messire Lafrance & Mr le Curé leaving for St Alexander - after dinner, we all walked about the grounds - we are so happy to have, Charles Gonthier, with us - it was so kind of him - to come down here, on his immediate arrival, from England - he only arrived, in Montreal - on Thursday last - I regret he leaves us to-morrow morning - John, played & sang this evening - much music - so gay & pleasant - Henri quite well.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> A little rain, during the night - cleared up at 10.0.0 A.M. - Miss Symes, has a fearful headache - we regret so much to see her suffer - Henri as usual rode out - several times, in the course of the day - after luncheon Judge Mowbray & Henri went out driving - they went round the township - enjoyed their drive so much - the remainder of the party, busied themselves making a balloon - which they were deprived of sending up - as it became cloudy & then rain in full earnest - After dinner, previous to the rain falling, Judge Mowbray, Louisa & Wentworth, & Louise Cuvillier & Caro, all went in the Steamboat, they had the coloured lamps lit,



x enjoyed their trip, immensely, but, as they were on their return - it commenced to rain, in torrents. I sent the cab for them - Miss Lyones & I, remained at home, Miss L. was not well, having had a head-ache - the greatest part of the day - much rain - to - night -

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> Much rain, during the night - a very cloudy morning - at 1/2 past 6.0. a.m. - Judge Mouch, Wentworth & Louisa left for the Johns, by the rail - platform car, Willie accompanied them as far as the Johns & returned here - for luncheon - Judge Mouch, enjoyed his ride on the car, very much - Willie says - James is not well - After breakfast Miss Lyones & I walked about the grounds - after luncheon - Caro played the Piano for them - as usual Henri rode, about a great deal - a stormy afternoon - they went out for a drive in my blue carriage - they returned delighted with their drive - Miss Lyones drove the horses - a cool evening x A Belgian, passing by - came in, and asked to tune the Piano he did it - very nicely

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> Much rain during the night - cleared up in the forenoon - Henri continues to ride a great deal - this afternoon the young party drove out, Henri drove to Bedford - I wrote several letters, my first letter to Mrs. Currier - she <sup>will</sup> have reached England to day I don't say only, next week - having sailed from Quebec, on the 26<sup>th</sup> inst. in the Hibernian - may she have had a quick passage over - a very cool evening - how fast the days, are shortening.

Judge Mouch - Wentworth & Louisa left  
Piano tuned



Archie Campbell arrived.

after dinner they sent up the balloon - it was a  
perfect success - it went up, most majestically - it was  
really beautiful to see it go up - I was so delighted  
Archie Campbell, was there, for its ascent - he  
arrived at 6 a.m. - just as we were going in to  
dinner, he rode from St. Heloise - a ride of  
40 miles, he is not fatigued - I am so pleased to  
see him - I regret Bruce - did not come with  
him - Willie & Caro, had put off - sending up the  
balloon - till he arrived - Mr. Mylins, arrived at  
3 a.m. p.m. - he brought me, such a good  
photo, of Mr. Currier's & Charlie's - Winkie this  
evening - as usual -

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup>. Charming weather, so bright &  
fair - this morning at 5 a.m. - Mr. Mylins & Archie went  
to the Bay - they returned in time for breakfast -  
Archie enjoys his drive - Henri, for ever on horseback  
at least three or four times a day - after breakfast  
they all went out to the garden - to have a game  
at Croquet - they enjoyed it immensely - Last  
evening - I received a note from Judge Monbe &  
a cadence - of the Poem; Sagnenay; from the Judge's  
able pen - it is charming - repeats with interest -  
Mr. Currier went to St. George's - Bay - returned in the  
evening - this afternoon, Miss Sykes, Caro, Archie & Willie  
had a row, to Taravouina grove - Caro had taken her  
guitar, they amused themselves, returned sooner, than



they visited, the ~~Musgraves~~ were in such numbers —

Louise & I walked to Church. — waited for their return & walked home with them — a pleasant evening — they played cards — instead, of having so much music, as usual —

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>st</sup>. — a pleasant day, after the rain & thunder, during the night — after breakfast, Miss Lyne, Caro, Archie & Willie, sallied off — for a long ride — they only returned at 2.0 P. M. — having left at 12 1/2 past 9.0 A. M. — they enjoyed their ride, very much — they rode 20 miles — they were a little fatigued on their return, still, they mustered enough courage, to walk to the steambout, & the Le Caré, took them to Le Condorogo — a nice & pleasant promenade over the sea — Willie presented a bouquet and an address to Louise — its being St. Louis, — she had quite a laugh about it — it was quite a picturesque scene. after dinner, they walked in the garden — instead of music played cards — Henry is really tired out — he has been, going about, so much, riding & driving — to see about the lumber, for the building of the Station close by — — a pleasant evening —



Charles Knauth's came

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Augt Rain, during the night - cleared up, in the morning - although, it still, threatens, now & then, to be showery - Archie, left this morning at 1/2 past 6. A.M. to return home - he had a long ride, before him - 40 miles - we regretted, to see him go - so soon - This morning after breakfast, Miss Sykes, Louise, Caro & Willie went down, to the vine-pine alley - on their return, they sat down, to study Italian, a German - having a desire to rest, this forenoon - Henry only went out riding, this afternoon - he lounged, this forenoon - this afternoon, Miss Sykes, Louise, Caro & Willie went out for a drive - enjoyed it very much - this evening Charles Knauth's - arrived by the stage - we were so happy to see him.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Augt - early in the morning, it threatened rain - cleared up - a great many people at Mass - this morning, Miss Sykes, Caro, Willie & I received - Henry went to grand' messe - Willie was not well enough to come to vesper - he remained in his room till, near, the hour of dinner time - I fear, he is going, to have an attack of jaundice - his eyes & forehead so yellow; he played chess with Charles - Miss Sykes sang, & Caro played the piano - we had a fearful shower of rain, returning from vesper - we were caught, in full style - although we ran, as fast as we could - it continued, to pour rain, the whole afternoon - Willie takes a blue pill, to-night & a Liddite in the morning -



Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> a cool morning, cleared <sup>up</sup> bright & fair —  
 Mr Le Cure, left at 5 a.m. for St Hyacinthe for the  
 Retreat & Syrood — we know, not, yet, who, is the Priest  
 that replaces him, this week — — dear Willie is quite unwell.  
 The Dr came, we sent for him — he has an attack of  
 jaundice, as I feared — he took an emetic, this  
 afternoon — I did not find, it acted sufficiently —  
 this morning after breakfast we went to church —  
 Miss Sykes & Caro, left before Louise & I — & they  
 went boating, together — this afternoon — they all  
 played at croquet — at 3 o'clock — Miss Sykes went out  
 driving with ~~Henri~~ — they drove to the Bay —  
 my poor Willie, so little, & lonely in his room — — dear  
 son! I hope & pray he will be all right again  
 to-morrow or next day — a lovely evening —

Mepine Moreau  
 Chanoine of  
 Montreal

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> rain during the night — damp &  
 disagreeable till 10 o'clock — after breakfast  
 Miss Sykes, Louise Caro & I went to church — to  
 commence our Novena preparatory to the Feast  
 of the Virginité — after which — Miss Sykes, Caro &  
 Charles, went boating — my own dear Willie, not at  
 all well — Dr Bingham came yesterday, gave him an  
 emetic — he has the jaundice — he is so yellow — still  
 dear son! he got up & came to dinner — he retired early  
 Mepine Moreau, Chanoine of the Quartier of Montreal —  
 arrived, before luncheon — he comes to remain here  
 till Thursday, when he goes to St George & another Priest,



from Montreal, comes to replace him, untill  
Mr le Curé's return — we had rain this afternoon —  
it did not last — Miss Symes, Sarah Charles, went  
Target shooting in the garden — Missie & singing  
in the evening — my dear Willie is so yellow!

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> Aug<sup>th</sup> — a very cool day, cloudy —  
Willie better, although, the colour of Saffron —  
he came down to breakfast — The Dr came &  
said he might drive up to the race course —  
it would only do him good — Frederick who  
arrived this morning at 11 o'clock went with him  
they returned for dinner — Cameo, ~~was~~ was  
taken to the course, this morning — Boer & J. Luy  
went with him — Poor Cameo; he has not, the  
best chance of winning — there are, several, good  
horses, on the field — to-morrow, morning, will  
tell — Archie, & Grace, arrived whilst we were  
at lunch — we were so truly happy to see them —  
they all played croquet, this afternoon, enjoyed  
it immensely — Henri as usual, riding &  
driving about — I am hope & pray, dear Willie  
will soon get over, this awful attack of jaundice —  
Missie & singing this evening & Cards — the  
young people enjoy themselves, very much —

Archie & Grace arrived —

Archie & Grace arrived —



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Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September - lovely fair weather - a cool morning  
such a lovely bright day - this morning at 8 a.m.  
Willie & ~~John~~ left for the race course - at 10 a.m. a.m.  
Henri, Miss Sykes, Louise & Caro, left, they ~~drove~~ <sup>went</sup> in my  
Vauv carriage, Mathiot, drove - behind, in the green  
waggon - drove Archie, Bruce & Charles - such a  
charming day, they will have had, to enjoy the  
sport - Dear Willie, I feel anxious, he intends, to  
ride, his own horse, Cameo, God! grant, he may  
get through, all this amusement, without accident  
or fatigue - according, to what I hear - I do  
not believe poor Cameo - has any chance - of  
winning - Missie Moreau - left for St George  
this morning - Dear Willie, is still very yellow  
although, a shade, better - I will, wait, their  
return, to go on, with my scribbling - Archie  
& Bruce, seem to enjoy their visit - before going  
to the races - they all had a game, at nine-pins -  
Henri, Miss Sykes, Louise & Caro returned at 5 a.m. - saying  
that, although Cameo, had only come in second, still,  
he did his party, beautifully - it seems, Willie, rode his  
horse, so gracefully, so elegantly - he went over, the  
curbules, without the least effort - Zig Zag, was as near  
falling, with his rider, as possible, however, the rider,  
recovered himself & dashed on - Lady Stuart, fell, rider  
& all - Harry, ran, Cameo's, brother, for a saddle-buckle  
& won the race - he was cheered Archie, Bruce &  
Charles, soon arrived, after Henri - John, Henry & Willie  
only arrived at , my dear Willie, not, hear

a large party  
Missie Moreau left  
went to the races



So fatigued, as I would, have expected - it seems the  
heat, in the stand, was awful - Miss Symes - is  
very tired - I am so glad - it is, all over -  
I hate - all that racing - I always fear accidents -  
a cloudy evening - Henry remains till to-morrow -

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept a foggy morning - this morning at  
6 o'clock Archie & Louise left - & after luncheon -  
Henry & Grob. left by the Isis for 12 furlongs -  
Miss Symes, Carl, Charles & Willie rode 20 miles  
Louise, went to church to make my hour - I had  
such a head-ache that I was obliged to lie down;  
this morning, Messire Lapierre, from St Pierre de Menthon  
arrived by the stage - he has come to remain  
till Sunday morning - he is such a nice  
pleasant person - we all like him -  
Henri was out a great deal - always, on horseback -  
a cloudy evening -

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept - rain, early in the morning,  
Henri went to the station - to say he did not want  
the use of the Car - this morning, at the young  
Ladies, have just off, their return, <sup>to town</sup> till next Tuesday -  
this afternoon, they went out for a drive, as far  
as Stanbridge-village - Charles, Henri went out, on  
horseback - a cloudy afternoon - I went to church -  
for in the afternoon - this morning, Miss Symes,



went to hear Mass - for her Mother - who died, this day, 3 years -  
Messire Lapierre said Mass - for her - rain by torrents,  
the whole evening -

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept much rain, during the night -  
& rain, by torrents, the whole day - few people  
at church - Messire Lapierre, gave us a very  
nice sermon - he is a charming person -  
we all like him very much - we drove  
twice, to church, in the Oak - after vespers,  
they all went, to play nine-pins - this  
evening Messire singing - & Cards -  
I have a head-ache - & disagreeable  
cold, wet, evening -

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept a disagreeable damp morning - after  
breakfast - they all went to have a game at croquet -  
after luncheon - Ann & Willie went to Bedford - to  
attend the Municipal Council - on account of  
a projected road, in this direction - Miss Sykes  
& Cora with Charles - went out to enjoy a row  
in the barge - Messire Lapierre liked a game  
at croquet - very much - a very cool night - many  
we be spared - from frost - Louise as usual  
went to church, this afternoon - music, singing  
a Cards to-night - Mr le Curé arrived this evening  
from St. Hyacinthe - I fear frost - -



Henri & Willie  
Went to town back  
- Caro went to 4/5 of the  
Miss Sympson & Louise  
Lapine & Charles Bonville

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept - A very cool morning - the sun  
came out, so bright & lovely - charming weather -  
at 1/4 past 6, O.C. A.M. - Miss Sympson, Louise, Miss Lapine  
Henri & Willie <sup>C. Bonville</sup> - all left, for Montreal - Caro, went  
to 4/5 of the to spend the day - they all  
went, by the platform train - the house  
is so still & lonely! - I expect Henri, Willie  
& Caro, at 6 O.C. P.M. - they will have had a  
a most lovely day to travel - the garden  
is looking so beautiful, the flowers, so  
brilliant - I hope, we shall be spared, from  
frost, for some time - I shall resume  
my scribbling - when Henri, Willie & Caro return  
this evening - they only arrived at 7 O.C. P.M. -  
they brought dear little Jimmy with them - I find  
him altered - looking very delicate - Caro enjoyed her  
day, very much - they were frozen, when they  
arrived -

Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> Sept - A very cool, not to say cold morning  
a heavy frost - nothing injured - a cold wind all day -  
after breakfast - Henri & Willie went to Bedford - this  
afternoon, Henri was out on horseback - Caro bathed  
a great deal to-day - I feel the house - colder &  
disagreeable - I am, already, wishing - for the stones  
to be put up - a bright day - a lovely sunshine -  
Miss Devorey came to dinner, & remains, to go to  
Montreal with her in the morning -



Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> left a slight hoary frost - the sky has been  
partly overcast, wind South - threatening rain,  
I fear rain, for to-morrow - this morning at  
6. a. m. Messrs. Sedgwick & Co. left for Swanton,  
for the benediction of a Church - they return this  
evening - Mr. Lindsey & Dr. Bingham came to take  
Lundeen - Henri went to the station, with Mr. Lindsey,  
it seems, this station, will be called Alexandria Station,  
it is quite complimentary - Henri & Willie drove  
to Hembridge village - Willie & Caro rode out  
after breakfast - they took a bag ride -  
made 19 lbs. peaches preserves to Henry - I hope  
it will be fair & bright to-morrow -

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> left cool & damp - the sun out now &  
thunder threatened rain - all the time - Henri  
was as usual - leading a very active life, for  
the present - God's great time, a long continuation  
of it - this morning Willie left early, to go & fetch  
Mr. de la Cour & family, he went by the Loisante's  
to return by the platform train - they all arrived  
at 1/2 past 6. a. m. having been much amused, with  
their position on the platform train - & with the  
extreme speed. They came on - I am so  
delighted to see them - I regret Mrs. Ormington,  
nor Annie did not come -

The family de la Cour  
& Wendell and Mary, came



Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. A nice day, a heavy dew in the morning - after breakfast they went round the premises - after luncheon - went to church & visited the grist mill - Wd de St Paul found it a perfection - Croquet in the afternoon - & walking about the grounds - Music & singing in the evening - At 8 a Annie arrived whilst we were at dinner -

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. A fine morning, although, a little cloudy - a great many people at church - after service - they played Croquet till 1/2 past 5. D.C. - Came in to dress for dinner - a supper of Whist - for Wd de St Paul - Music & singing going on in the Salon - played 1/2 past 10, when, & where do you like it, retired late -

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. A cloudy morning, rain, in the forenoon, & continued the whole afternoon by torrents - remained indoors all the time - employed ourselves, in various ways, having others ~~conversing~~ <sup>conversing</sup>, & a Wd de St Paul & Willie played chess - much singing & music -



put up the stove pipe in the parlor  
a nice bright fire  
put up the stove in the  
servant's hall

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept a cloudy, misty morning, rain set in  
at 1/2 past 4 o'clock A.M. - And the 4 of us & family, Anne  
Carr, Jimmy & Willie all left to go to the platform  
train - it was very cold & damp - they stood  
there, perspiring with cold - waiting for the  
Engine, which never came, but too late, however  
in the interim, they had decided, upon  
returning to us, & put off, their return to  
town, to another day - much rain, all day,  
remained indoors all day - they amused  
themselves, talking, sewing, working, playing  
the piano, singing, dancing - playing  
their favorite game, show, where, do you  
like it. - And the 4 of us played chess with Willie,  
& backgammon with Anne Carr - & Blanche  
sang several pretty songs, so that Willie &  
Carr - they are all packed in readiness  
to leave to-morrow morning, by the platform  
train - a fearful cold N. E. wind - but fear frost  
we quite enjoy - the fire in the stove - & the passage stove, etc,  
yet put up

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept - what weather, a thick mist  
rain again, not as cold as yesterday, still  
impossible for them, to travel to-day -  
A dull day - without any hope, of outdoor  
amusements - perhaps, a game at nine pins  
Chess is in vogue to-day - much music  
& singing - they are kind enough, to say  
they continue to enjoy themselves - Carr &



Under Theodore

quite put out, at not going to town sooner —  
as it will shorten her visit there —  
a cloudy afternoon — it threatens rain  
again — in the interim — we walked about the  
garden — & went to church — not at all cold —  
Amie & Curie went to the Alexandre — this evening  
Guthrie & Theodore arrived — Fred having just  
returned from Lieke — in the morning —  
rain — again to — night —

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept this morning at 6 a.m. — the sun was  
out, giving hopes of a fair bright day — it soon  
became cloudy — & rain, pouring — how annoying;  
may it clear up — it did clear up — & they  
all went to Bedford — for the Exhibition — &  
take a peep at the Bazaar — they bought  
some little things — Henri & Theodore drove  
in the buggy — with de la Cour, Virginie, Blanche,  
Annie, & a puppy in the Van carriage  
Guthrie drove them Willie rode Cameo —  
they returned early, fortunately, as it became  
very showery — very windy, & fearful showers,  
coming down, at every instant — they amused  
themselves, indoors, to the exception, of a little run  
in the garden — before dinner — we are all packed  
up — to leave in the morning — for town —



Vol de the best & family - M. L. H. H.  
Huron, Mich., Dec 8 - 1900 -  
and myself - all left for Toronto

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept a cloudy, blowy morning, rather cold, after  
a very early breakfast - Mr & M<sup>rs</sup> Ours, Hermine, Virginia, Helene,  
Annie, ~~John~~<sup>John</sup>, ~~Harry~~<sup>Harry</sup>, Willie, Cora & I, all left, for town -  
we drove to the rail-road crossing, & there, got  
on, the platform-train, we did feel it cold;  
a piercing wind - we had a mass, of wrappers, still,  
we felt the wind - finney was packed up, in  
shoulder cloaks, he did not suffer, from the cold -  
we dropped Annie & John - at M<sup>rs</sup> Johns - & we all  
went on to town by the G.R. train - reached town  
at 11 o'clock A.M. - we separated at the station, Bernaventure,  
& drove up to Mr Bouthillier's, where, we received a  
most truly welcome - it rained in the afternoon, notwithstanding  
I went to see dear Mr<sup>st</sup> Martineau, Mr Martineau, was very  
ill, since morning - I also called on Mr Perrault - found  
her better, although, looking weak & languid - I was glad  
to meet, Caroline Lindsay, who had just, arrived from  
Quebec - we retired early this evening -

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept a cold morning, cloudy threatening rain -  
 went out after breakfast - Henri is well, going about  
 all the time in his cab - I went shopping - in the  
 afternoon, Mad<sup>lle</sup> Cuillier came in Miss Symes carriage  
 to fetch Henri & I to drive to the Sacré-Cœur Convent - to visit  
 this beautiful establishment - Miss Symes drove Car. & Willie  
 rode - The weather was lovely, having cleared up with a  
 bright sun - we enjoyed, both, our drive & visit, very  
 much - the Superior, Madame de Missonon & M<sup>lle</sup> de Vauigny,



are such Superior Women, so interesting I am so  
delighted to have made their acquaintance — the  
Convent — is a perfection — we attended Salut, in a  
very pretty Chapel — the whole thing, was charming —  
we spent the evening at Mr Perrault's — enjoyed ourselves  
very much — we met, there, Mr Th. Nelson's son — a  
clever young man — dear Charles Bouthillier, is always  
so kind & attentive to us — — raining to — night —

*Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept* a lovely Day — we all went to Grand' messe  
at the Jesuits — Pere Michel preached — received visitors  
after Mass — after vespers — I went to call on Aunt Magon —  
I met the family at the door — at the Church door — they  
had called & I had missed them — I was so happy to meet  
them — Willie, Charles & Caro went to spend the  
evening at Madlle Amelie's — it was a very nice reunion  
lots of music & singing — it is blowing fearfully  
to — night — Ferns always, retires early — dear  
Mr Bouthillier all kindness to us —

*Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept* a nice morning — after the rain  
during the night — cool & pleasant — went out  
shopping — after breakfast — in the afternoon, I called  
again on dear Mrs Marshall saw Mr M — former  
him, better, but weaker — I took advice, to say  
dear friend Mrs. M. they all leave on the 1<sup>st</sup> Oct  
for England — I saw Etha & Guppy, both grown up & improved



Dear Mrs Martland gave me her photo - I much I appreciate it - I went to call on Mr Perrault, she was out - Saw Mr de la -  
Mr & Mrs Gonthier, Charles, Willie, Cora & I, all went, to spend  
the evening at Mrs Gonthier's - we had a most  
lovely soiree - quite a large reunion - I was so  
happy to meet, my dear friends, the de la Ours's  
we enjoyed ourselves very much - Henri preferred, returning  
early, to going out of an evening - he is quite well -  
I met, quite a new set of young Canadian gentlemen, whom  
I only know by name - Annie & John in town en route to  
Terrebonne - Mrs McKenzie quite unwell -

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept a lovely morning, pleasant temperature,  
went out after breakfast - met my dear friends the  
de la Ours's, in the street - had much fun, laughing  
heartily, at our reminiscences of the previous evening,  
now much I regret, I cannot find time, to run  
over, to St Titaire, here it only for an evening!  
Mrs Campbell was to have come in to town to see  
me - Susan, being indisposed, deprived me of that  
pleasure - Miss Symes & my dear niece Louise,  
came to pay us a visit in the afternoon, remained  
till, the hour of our departure, when Miss Symes  
kindly offered to take us down to the station -  
Dear Cora remains, with Mr Gonthier, for a  
few days longer - Henri, Willie & I, left by the  
afternoon train - we left Mr & Mrs Gonthier's hospitable  
roof - with regret - we enjoyed our visit, exceedingly -  
they were all kindness & attention, to us -



we bade adieu to Miss Sympson & Louise at the Station —  
Annie & ~~John~~ were on board the Car — we separated  
at ~~the~~ Johns — Saw James, en passant, found him  
altered — reached the ~~Spokane~~ <sup>Spokane</sup> at 1/2 past 5 P.M. —  
found our covered Carriage awaiting us — reached  
dear Malmaison at 7 P.M. — had a good dinner  
awaiting us — found all our household, in  
perfect health — I am, really very happy, to be  
home again — & to renew my daily occupations —  
I am a little tired this evening —

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept a cloudy morning, much rain  
in the afternoon — Henri rode in the morning  
& drove with Millie in the afternoon, to Alice's —  
received a letter from my own dear Caro this  
evening — she is well & amusing herself —  
I have been very busy, all day, regulating many  
things —

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept a cold bright morning, Miss Desory  
came early, to fetch her carriage to go to Dunham  
roads beautiful — Henri, always on the go either  
riding or driving — I miss my Caro — the garden  
is looking, already ~~trist~~ <sup>trist</sup>, the balsams & dahlias all  
withered & gone — the garden walks, are covered with  
dead leaves — the coup d'œil, is melancholy, ~~trist~~ <sup>trist</sup>,  
Autumn has set in very early — we make



fire in the stones, even in our bed-room - how very early  
in the season to commence, all this kind of work -

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Left a fine morning, Willie left at 5 a.m. for town rode his "Cameo", on to Laprairie - he is gone for several days - he will hunt, on Saturday dear dear Willie, may he enjoy his hunt, & return without the least mishap - God! spare him from any accident - I always feel anxious, during that time - Henri as usual, going about a great deal - I have been very busy since my return - I hear from my dear Caro - she is well - very windy - South wind

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Left a cloudy morning - rain, sat in at 11 a.m. - it poured rain, the whole afternoon Henri returned from Bedford, just before the rain - after luncheon, it ceased raining for a few moments, Henri immediately, got on Piccolo & galloped off - he had not been gone many minutes, when the rain, began to fall in torrents, & continued to do so, the whole afternoon & the whole evening, we had sent for Grobisher as the Trisante's - he arrived at 7 a.m. & p.m. dined with rain - we had waited dinner for him - having some good fresh fish, to offer him - I am so glad, he

Willie left to go & hunt  
to be in his hunts

Another canoe  
Thunder



blue pill

has come - he will play the organ, for me  
to-morrow - Henri takes a blue pill - to-night -

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept. much rain during the night, roads  
unfit - few people at church - Henri took a  
blue-pill last night - he requires it now & there, his  
Liver, is inclined, to become sluggish - he must  
pay attention to that - how thankful I am - to  
see him, enjoy so much, better health, than  
he used to - do. & it has been showery all day -  
the pretty garden - is now looking so desolate -  
we have still, a great many roses - but the  
aspect of the garden, is triste - it looks so  
unwholly; the immense quantity of dead-leaves  
strewn in every direction, gives  
it a disagreeable appearance - what a change  
Caro will find, when she returns! the  
sun - peeps out now & then - appearance of  
a severe frost, to-night -

Willie arrived from home -  
yesterday -

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept a very cold bright morning - Father  
left early this morning, he went in the waggon,  
that, Maise, was taken to the Poixante's, to fetch  
Willie back - he arrived at 11 o'clock A.M. - very tired -  
we were, so happy to see him, dear son!  
he left Caro in perfect health - dear girl!  
she will return home, this week - roads very



a white-poll Cherries swept

Willie left for town  
Henri went to St John  
& returned

muddy — Mr le Curé left this afternoon — he is gone on  
promenade. — Colette, swept the chemins this morning  
they required it very — a capital job — Henri has  
been very busy to-day, flying about, in all  
directions — the coxcomb, that beautiful flower,  
blighted, withered & gone; the garden, is looking  
so triste, so desolate; a good many Melons are  
left there, to perish — a cold bright evening —  
a starry sky — I wrote a long letter, to my dear  
friend Mr de St Ours this afternoon —

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept lovely warm weather, summer temperature  
quite a change, since last evening, when it was  
quite cool — after breakfast, Henri & Willie left for  
St John, in the covered carriage — knew driving them  
Willie goes on to town, to start to-morrow —  
Henri returns to-night — what charming  
weather, the windows & doors, all wide open  
to enjoy the warmth of the brilliant sun —  
Messrs Gatineau, arrived for luncheon — he has  
come to replace Mr le Curé during his absence —  
I have been busy all day — had no time to be  
lonely, Willie took in to Mrs Bouthillier, a beautiful  
bouquet — I hope the pretty flowers, will reach  
in good order —



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Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept Much rain during the night, & rain, again in the morning - cleared up, in the forenoon, the sun came out, so bright & lovely, I rejoiced on account of my dear Willie, whom I hope has had a pleasant day to Hunt - Henri, is quite well - rode out a great deal this afternoon - Woods very muddy - I walked to church this afternoon - I have had a busy morning, putting away, & regulating, all manner of things - Green, brought in, a quantity of water-melons - I wish I could succeed, in keeping them for Christmas - a glorious sun set -

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept A lovely bright morning - the sky became overcast in the forenoon threatening rain very much - Henri was out as usual - a great deal on horseback - flying about - in all directions - put the stone in the office - in the men's room - stone - pipe - in Cass's room - all comfortable for the coming winter - Messrs de Aubin came to Luncheon - he was not aware of Mr le Caré being absent - It is raining, 7<sup>th</sup> past 4 o'clock P.M. - Dear Willie is en route - since morning, he is riding! Cameo, back - to his stable - I hope, he had a good day to Hunt, yesterday! may he reach here without much rain - Willie missed at 7 o'clock P.M. after a long disagreeable ride, came by Laprairie - a from the Irish settlement, here, roads awful - a fearful dark night -

Willie missed from town  
Cameo, back to his stable



Car, returned - Willie went to town  
& returned

Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> Sept - Such an hurricane; last night - such  
a beating rain! it was awful, the whole house shook -  
I do not remember, such a fearful storm! the  
wind, blowing, in all directions - it was really frightful,  
& the rain lay torrents - this morning, the  
windy mists, are beaten down - the immense  
quantity of rain, having washed the roads - the  
wheeling to - day is much better than yesterday -  
Willie left this morning at 1/2 past 5 a.m. for town,  
notwithstanding, the cloudy sky - & dark looking  
morn - Henri was out riding the whole afternoon -  
my own dear Caro came home, with her brother - I  
am so happy to see her back - I was agreeably  
surprised, to see her - I did not expect her home  
before to-morrow - they had a pleasant evening to  
travel, not cold - & the roads much improved, since  
morning - dear child! she is looking remarkably  
well -

Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> October - a hoary frost - the platform  
was, literally, white, it looked like snow - the sun  
came out, so bright & lovely - after breakfast  
Henri & Willie went to Bedford - to the Council -  
Henri being interested about a road - dear Caro  
is so pleased & happy to be home again, she  
has been walking about the grounds - the  
whole afternoon - enjoys it so much - a cool  
evening - dear Mrs Mathland & family, sister



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to stay for England; may they all, return to Canada next summer - I shall be so happy, to see them at La Malmaison -

Sunday 2<sup>d</sup> Oct - Rain, rain, all day - few people at Church, in consequence of the bad weather - it was all over at 11 a.m. - so much rain - will prevent, the potatoes - being taken out of the ground for some days - there is so much water, fallen - Henri remained indoors all day - I wrote a few letters - & spent the afternoon after supper - reading - I enjoyed it very much - Willie & Caro amused themselves singing - they always manage, to get on - Mr. Mylius came - & rested a while & continued to the Bay -

Henri returned  
for town

Monday 3<sup>d</sup> Oct a mild cloudy morning, Henri & Willie left for town, they to the place, on the plak-form Car, left at 1/2 past 6 a.m. - Henri was warmly clad - took the buffalo coat - in case of work - Caro was out, the whole afternoon - Henri & Mr. Le Curé arrived at 4 a.m. - they came, with the Engine only - no car, attached to it - Henri was all fatigued - Willie gone on as far as Moulton - goes also to Burlington on a visit to Mr. Linsley - I only expect him home, on Thursday - a very mild evening -



Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct - This morning, a warm rain - it  
did not last, & as I went to Mass, above in the  
Coke - Hermine Poirier, was married this morning  
to young Dageffe - a very nice young couple -  
Henri went out immediately after breakfast &  
again, the whole afternoon - he is so busy  
seeing, about the building of the granary & bridge,  
next to the station, they are getting on very  
nicely with the building of the station - Henri  
hopes, it will be completed, shortly - Perrault  
is making, the new road - to get to the station -  
I have been in the garden, this afternoon,  
planning, with Green - I have several changes  
& improvements, to get made, this autumn - if  
I can only, succeed, in executing my plans, I  
flatter myself, they will be admired - I am  
anxious to see them carried out - a cloudy  
evening, threatening rain - Messire Gatinien  
returned to St Alexandre, this afternoon -  
winds fearfully muddy -

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct - a foggy morning, cleared up, a most  
lovely bright summer's day - such a lovely temperature -  
Willie arrived from Burlington at 11 o'clock - we  
were all so happy to see him home again -  
he drove from Swanton here - roads muddy -  
Henri went out as usual - nothing in all direction -  
Perrault & I, had a tremendous long walk, across the

Willie arrived -



the fields, & back again - after resting a while  
I walked as far as Church - Caro took another  
walk, with her Mother - a glorious sunset,  
a lovely mild, soft, balmy evening -

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct - a rainy morning, very much  
cleared up in the afternoon - Annie rode  
out, in the forenoon, at 3 o'clock - Miss Lindsay  
Miss Pritchard & Theodore arrived - we were  
so delighted to see Caroline & Emma, so  
kind of them, to come to us, so late in  
the season, & driving from St Johns - they  
had arrived the evening previous, & had  
remained at Annie's - Theodore brought  
them on - they are such nice girls - we  
like them - my regret is, they will find  
it, very little & lonely at this season -  
the roads being so bad - not out - nor  
amusements - Fred & Annie arrived at  
1/2 past 7 A.M. - knew having gone for them  
in my covered carriage for them at the bridge,  
roads fearful in such a dark night, to  
travel - their little met with an accident to-day  
he was riding on 'Puff' & coming from rang St Charles, he  
took a sharp turn - 'Puff', slipped on the narrow bridge, &  
fell over him - he hurt his leg very much, & bruised his  
face - how providential, he did not hurt himself more  
severely - he might have broken his leg! how thankful

Annie & Caro came, Miss Lindsay, Miss Pritchard  
& Theodore arrived

Willie - fell from his horse -



I am, to see him, <sup>having</sup> escaped, with a painful leg - only -  
he rubbed it with S. Liniment - S. W. Wind - blowing  
almost an hurricane -

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Oct - A very windy morning, not  
cold - after breakfast, Annie, ~~H. & T.~~ & Theodore left -  
the same vehicle, that brought the young Ladies  
yesterday - took them, back - Annie, is to be  
God-Mother, this afternoon - for Henry's Baby born  
yesterday, a little girl, Mr le Cur, has asked  
to be Parrain - he has accepted, ~~both~~, will act,  
by proxy - sounds awful - I really regret such  
weather, on account of Miss Lindsay & Miss Pritchard  
their visit, will be so dull; at this season -  
nothing doing - what nice girls, they are!  
Henri rode out as usual - Thibie's leg,  
is a little less stiff - music & singing - of an  
evening -

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct rain much rain - not cold - but,  
so much rain; the potatoes, still in the ground,  
& the rot, through them, to a fearful degree -  
Caro did not feel well enough, to go to church  
this morning - the young Ladies, remained,  
indoor, <sup>a part of the</sup> day - Henri also, was deprived, of his  
daily ride on horseback - <sup>at his usual hour</sup> roads awful; when  
I first wrote my journal, he did not think me



could venture out, although very damp & cloudy -  
this afternoon - Miss Lindsay & Emma & I went  
to visit the Mills - we left Caro at home, she  
complained of a head-ache - The young Ladies  
were delighted with their visit to the Mills -  
Henni rode out this afternoon -

*snow - awful roads*  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct - very cold, snow, this morning  
it melted as it fell - still, the top of the  
portico, was covered with a thin coat - What  
an awful, cold, rainy, disagreeable Autumn;  
how very early the Autumn has set in!  
we have now November weather - roads  
fearful - Dr Bingham, who lunched, here to-day  
said he had never seen, such, roads, at this  
Season - they are awful! Henni came  
to grand'papa's - he drove, like the rest - in  
the cab - more people at church, than I  
expected - a very cold piercing West wind

*Miss Lindsay & Miss Pritchard  
left by the platform train  
with me to St John's Church*

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct - such awful cold, windy weather,  
a few flakes of snow, fell, this morning -  
what extraordinary weather, for the Season;  
a piercing wind - this morning at 6.15  
Miss Lindsay & Miss Pritchard left, they went  
to St John's, on the platform train, Dr Bingham



was there also Willie went to accompany them as far  
as John's - they perished with cold - they were, even  
frozen, before they got on the platform train - they  
had stood, waiting, for the train, at the rail-road  
crossing - for a full half hour - I sincerely hope,  
they will not, be ill - after such a cold, disagreeable  
trip - I long to hear, from them - Willie <sup>returned</sup> at 12.0.10  
in time for his luncheon - he was so cold; frozen,  
the fearful piercing wind, was awful - Dear  
Caro has had, a dreadful, nervous headache; to-day  
Dear Child; it is sad, to see her, suffer, in such  
a way - rain, cold rain, this afternoon -  
Herrie, enjoys, his health, so much better than <sup>usual</sup>,  
do feel so thoughtful, for it; frost last night - ice  
this morning in the ditches -

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct - a mild temperature - Showery,  
the sun, coming out now & then - would  
awful, fearful - Green took up the roses  
to put them in the little green house - I fear  
he has taken them up - too soon, they may suffer,  
from being housed so early in the season - however  
we shall see, later - Herrie is out, as usual -  
Dear Caro, is much better to-day, no head-ache -  
Thank Providence! but, my! the child suffers,  
yesterday! she did not go out to-day, nor  
did I - it was so wet & damp walking -



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Awful. November weather!  
 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct a thick hoary frost, this  
 morning the dampness, not to be told, awful  
 together - a feel, of piercing, dampness - cold,  
 in fact, most extraordinary weather, for the  
 season - perfect disagreeable, November weather?  
 Since the early part of September, we have  
 had off and on, constant rain - as for the  
 roads - they are awful. When returned, this  
 afternoon, from his daily ride - he was  
 a mass of mud - his long boots, were  
 literally, from top to toe completely covered  
 with mud. - he returned from his ride,  
 perfectly disgusted - Caro, looks & feels,  
 delicate, she took cold, in church, last Sunday  
 & feels it yet - she has commenced, to  
 make a pretty piece of fret-work, to-day -  
 she must keep indoors - till the sun  
 comes out, to dry the platform warm  
 the atmosphere - the damp, is the  
 worse part - of it all - this afternoon, to go  
 to church - I wore, my brown winter cloak -  
 & only felt - just comfortable - showery  
 all day - wind from the East -  
 Mr. Lindsay came to lunch - left immediately after -



rain -  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb - What a continuation of fearful rainy weather! we are never, a day, without rain - as the American's say - it beats all, it cankers, smashes, & ruins, to every kind of out-door work - as for the rail-road, it has, so prevented, the progress of its completion, that, it now, becomes, almost an impossibility, for its being, safe, to travel, on such a new road, for some time - what a dreadful disappointment, to many - Henri was obliged, to remain indoors, on account, of the incessant rain - to the exception, of Willie, we have all remained, indoors - as for the roads, they are awful! every thing, in the garden, so wet, so saturated - the fall work is very backward, the potatoes, in the ground! Louther, ploughs, when he can - what a fearful wet season!

rain rain -  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb - Rain again & always - incessant rain, all night & all day - a deluge - we are all, obliged to remain indoors - Henri feels, his being deprived of going about as usual - he ruffles, his ride on horseback - as for the roads, they are awful awful! Caro keeps, working at her fur work - it will be very pretty when finished - I have a head-ache - a dizziness - I don't like it - what fearful weather!



Just up. a drop in Church. Rain all night & all day

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct - Again rain, all night - a pouring the greatest flash of the rain - we may say, since four weeks - rain on & off! What an immense quantity of water fallen! as for the roads, they are [awful, awful,] such mud! This afternoon, it ceased raining for a few moments - Henri could not resist the temptation - he asked Brew for Piccolo, and if he went, to have his ride, & breathe, fresh air - I should say, stumpy air, - he had been a prisoner, long enough he said - he returned, so covered with mud, it was something dreadful - Caro has not been out, since last Sunday - & I, nor since last Wednesday! Willie, is the only one, who goes about as usual - there is no working in the garden - every thing so wet! a dark, gloomy, day - southerly wind - of course, more rain! I staid - put up, in Church -

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Oct - A disagreeable gloomy morning with a great many persons at church - rain again, after a drop & a continuation of rain, the whole afternoon - What fearful weather, it now seems, that, we cannot be a day without rain - it is incessant - Henri remained indoors, all day - Caro, Willie & I went to church twice - as for the roads



they are awful! raining again to-night - not cold  
I was glad to find - Mr & Mrs had had one stone, put  
up - in church - it was comfortable & pleasant in church

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct - when, shall I, have to cease, writing,  
rain & rain again! This morning early rain, &  
rain during the night! & rain all day! what  
a wet season! since upwards of four weeks  
we have had constant rain! This morning  
Henri & Willie took an early breakfast - at  
1/2 past 9 o'clock - The covered buggy with two horses,  
was at the door, to <sup>take</sup> them over, to the Bay, to  
attend, the meeting of the Directors of the

M. V. J. N. R. - - On their way, they attended, their  
plans of driving & waited for the train, bringing  
Nora & Foster - they sent back, their carriage  
& waited at the crossing - for the train, when, it  
came, it was 1/2 past 8 o'clock - I was so pleased, to  
see, a comfortable car, for them, Mr Foster having  
no doubt made, those arrangements - Henri &  
Willie arrived from the Bay, by the car, at 1/2 past  
6 o'clock P.M. - I was becoming anxious - I could not  
fancy, what, kept them away so long - When  
I heard the whistle of the locomotive I was pleased.

Henri says, it was fortunate, they had such a  
comfortable car, to travel in - the roads, being  
awful, awful, to a degree - in fact, it would have  
been, a dreadful trip - it seems, that, if, the weather  
becomes, drier, & the road new made road, sufficiently

Meeting of the Directors. What a fearful wet season  
of fuel rail - wood - rain again



Settled Snow & Ice - The opening, of the <sup>rail-</sup>road, for  
travelling & traffic, will take place, on the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec  
that, is, if, the rain ceases - rain - again  
to night - a Telegram - from Bouchette, this  
evening - saying, he will be here, to-morrow -  
he comes on business, for the Cut Woods

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Dec - A cloudy morning, something here,  
not, to record, rain, perhaps, with it rain, later  
this evening - early this morning, Willie went  
to the Bay to settle, about, having a car, to go  
for Bouchette - Willie left after luncheon, on  
the platform car, with Dr. Bingham, to fetch  
Bouchette - Henri went also - they found Bouchette  
Mr Lindsay at 12 Johns - they took a Harlem car  
hitched <sup>on</sup> to their locomotive & came on to  
St. Alexandre - there, they found, the small locomotive  
they had, was out of repair, they dispatched a  
man on foot, to Red River Station - where, they  
knew, the large engine, was waiting, they should go,  
to say, to the Engineer to come on, for them -  
with all, this delay - it was near 8.0.0 P.M.  
when they reached here - I was, wondering  
what, kept them, so late - I was so delighted  
to see Robert, he is looking so well - his visit  
here, is always a source, of great pleasure  
to us we were, delighted to see Mr Lindsay -  
a lovely afternoon - Caro made, a lovely bouquet

Henri, Willie & Dr. Bingham went to 12 Johns to  
fetch Bouchette - Mr. A. Lindsay accompanied them -



for the centre of the table - by being able, to find  
still, enough flowers, to arrange, the center piece -  
green - gave us, very nice lettuce & green peas  
for dinner - quite a relish, at this season -

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct - Charming weather to - day, although  
the sky becomes overcast, now & then - after breakfast  
we all took a walk in the garden - visited, the  
stables - & walked to the Grist Mill, went to church,  
& all about the premises - after Lunsheon - the  
Car, was in readiness, at Oesthieres Station - for  
Heini, Robert, Mr Lindsay & Willie - they left, to  
return, only, for dinner at J. O. C. - Bonshette  
visits the line, so, as, to choose, the most  
suitable place - to have a custom house -  
to - morrow. They go on to Montpelier, to  
meet Gov. Smith - to talk over the matter -  
We & Curie went to St Alexandre to - day -  
Caro brought, a good deal - to - day - she indulged,  
in reading, the whole afternoon - the  
all returned delighted, with the warm reception  
they met, with at Mr V. Smith's, they were  
shown in his sitting room - a Champagne offered  
them - Robert, was much pleased -  
with the whole thing - this evening, music  
& singing to the guitar - then we played Proverbs  
Robert, was capital, at that game; -

commenced taking Heini, Mr Lindsay & Bonshette - visiting the  
and the potatoes - Willie, with them - some of wood



They left for Montpellier.

Whinders in the Albans on the 19<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - This morning, weather pleasant - after an early breakfast - Henri, Kouchette & Mrs Lindsay & Willie all left for Montpellier - the Car, was in attendance, at Desbrières Station - Shortly after their departure, it commenced to rain - I regretted, so much Henri, had gone, without taking, an umbrella - I hope this trip, will not fatigue him, I so much fear, he might take cold, & have the gout! Conso I remained indoors all day - Mrs le Curé returned from the Alchemie - it ceased raining, at 4 P.M. - Messire Desbrey sent me a beautiful basket of apples, & jam, from his own garden - how kind of him! we have just heard - of 22 Whinders, having robbed three Banks in the Albans - the excitement not to be told! they openly walked through the streets of the Albans at 3 A.M. & showed, such a fearless determination, on the plain laid out, for them, by their superiors, determined to carry it out - we hear, that, the Authorities in Canada - are giving all, the Lucours they can - to trace these men - taken up - the excitement - every where - not to be told! X green peas & green beans, for dinner - lettuce every day



they all returned from  
Montpelier

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - very pleasant weather, the sun,  
peeping out, now & then - I expected Henri  
his party - home - this morning - when, they  
only arrived at 8.0.0 P.M. - the rail-road,  
due at Montpelier, in the morning at 8.0.0 A.M. & he  
only, came in at 11.0.0 A.M. having been  
detained, by some mishap or other, on the  
line - finally, they only reached here late,  
fatigued, & annoyed at the delay - They of  
course - had all the details, concerning the  
Raider - no doubt, they are Confederates,  
I say, they have only come, to retort, &  
No, to the St Albans people - what, their General  
Sherman, did to the Southern people - they  
say - it is only a reprisal! Henri says, the  
excitation - is something dreadful, every where,  
Six of the Raiders, have been taken up at  
Stambridge-village - Montpelier & Lincolnton  
are much pleased with their visit to Montpelier  
ville, as usual - has several episodes, to  
relate - & in his, humorous, way of telling, he  
amuses us - The Governor - was very  
graciously pleased to see Henri his party -  
regretted, he could not, show them, all the  
attention, he wished - as he, was, very busy  
about this affair, of the Raiders; mail-  
came in very late this evening -



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b. Thaiders passed here - in the car - - Mr. J. M. Jones & others the N. Lindsey left  
 going to the 44th St. Fair

Dillies notes  
 in the cellar -

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct Vain in the morning, not  
 cold - such fearful windy roads. This  
 morning at 1/2 past 6.0.0 - Robert & Mrs Lindsey  
 left by the train to St Johns - that is by  
 the same car, that Fern had had from  
 St Johns - a few days ago - to go about the  
 line - here, during Robert's absence Willie  
 went with them, to the station - I regret  
 Robert, sent or not remaining, longer - he is  
 so gay, & pleasant - Fern rode out  
 after breakfast & again after luncheon - Willie  
 was out, also - he saw, his Father, stopped, & awaiting  
 the train - he went up with him, when the  
 car - was going bye - to see Mr Lomother Chief of Police,  
 Col. Courser - who were on board of the car, with  
 the 6 Thaiders, taken at St Andrews - it seems, they  
 are, quite young men - saying, they are  
 Confederates, not, denying, the fact - brought  
 against them - they are gay & lathumie -  
 admired, our line, saying, it would be a  
 very pretty road - & all that sort of thing -  
 they are going on to St Johns's side - Frederick  
 will be there, in readiness - to march, there in!  
 the mail, only came in to night, at 1/2 past 10.0.0.  
 The Sun came out, this afternoon - a  
 fine evening - with a pleasant  
 breeze - brought in, a nice bouquet, to day -  
 he <sup>had</sup> put, in, a quantity of Hallus roots, in  
 the cellar - this afternoon - all nicely labeled -



Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct - rain & this morning - notwithstanding  
the awful state of the roads - a great many people  
at church - Henri went to grand messe - several children  
made their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, this morning -  
after breakfast Willie went with M<sup>r</sup> le Curé, in  
the steamboat - a cloudy, mild afternoon -  
Caro has a cold in her head - I fear, she  
will cough, after it - I expect, to hear her cough!  
What a very disagreeable wet season - such  
constant rain - always overcast & cloudy -  
the sun - peeping out - but - seldom -

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Oct - a foggy morning - cleared up  
most lovely weather - pleasant temperature -  
the sun - came out - for a few moments  
after luncheon - Henri rode out - Caro  
walked out on the platform in the garden -  
Green, busy arranging the flower plots - all looks  
so, trim - no more flowers - to the exception  
of a few pansies & Anguonette - Verrault has been  
buying, ever so much, Oats to-day - the number  
of Oats going large, to Desbrières Station, to deliver  
the oats - to be put in the new granary - it  
makes it, quite stirring - a glorious sun - set  
quite an event!

Levant - commenced to  
dry Oats -



finished taking up the Potatoes & Carrots

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Oct mild, cloudy unsettled weather - a few drops rain, in the forenoon - roads fearful - people bringing oats to Perrault - make the road - awful - with such heavy laden carts - he has, already purchased upwards of a thousand bushels - oats - since yesterday - we long to see our rail-road - in operation; here, we are, unable to stir - I have put off, my trip to town, till the carts run - Henri is wonderfully well - for this time, of the season - he is out, on horseback - every day - Caro is well - she has busied herself to-day, in making wax flowers - she succeeds, very nicely - Green - is arranging new flower pots near, the brook-house - it will be an improvement - he has put in - all the Carrots, Onions & Cabbages - for winter use - no frost - as yet -

Caro & I walked, to the  
Westminster Station, for  
the first time

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Oct - quite an event, we had a lovely bright sunshine, all day - even, the rising sun - was brilliant - it was so cheering, to see, all looking, so bright & gay - such a lovely day, as this, we had not enjoyed, since August; the temperature so pleasant, so soft & balmy - Henri enjoyed it immensely he was out, a great deal - Caro & I, accompanied



by Willie, walked to the station, this afternoon, Carver  
Nov 4. had not yet visited the new building - the  
granary is also a fine large building - as  
for the station - when completed, it will be  
a very pretty, well distributed building - it  
looks remarkably well out-side - there is  
yet, much to be done, to ~~do~~ it - they have only  
just put on, the first coat of plastering - as  
for the granary - it is already, filled with  
oats - Perreault has, brought, since three day  
five thousand bushels - the number of carts  
& waggons, going to & fro, is continual - the new  
road, (not yet, completed, to go to the station) is  
getting, cut up - dreadfully - even here - before  
our door - they have made our road - fearful  
after so much rain, it is not, to be wondered at -  
what lovely weather! May it continue, for some  
time - a glorious sun-set - not cold -

Willie left for town

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Oct - a charming day, although cloudy - the  
temperature pleasant - in the forenoon Henry rode  
out - after luncheon, he drove to Bedford - at  
1 o'clock P. M. Willie & I left for the Sorbonne - en route  
for town - Moise drove him - roads, drying  
in some places - agree it not, for the great  
quantity of oats, being brought to the station, the  
wheels, would dig & improve, but, they keep,  
cutting up the roads, all the time - Carver 7



took a very long walk, this afternoon - we  
went to the riding-ground - & back by the road -  
then we walked as far as church - altogether  
it made a good long walk - all seems  
so quiet & lonely this evening, without Willie -  
a lonely night evening -

blowing a perfect hurricane to-night.  
a cold pouring rain - N. E. wind -

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct rain last night - and lay torrents  
all day - fearful weather - of course Henri remained  
in doors - this afternoon, it became much colder -  
to-night, it is blowing a perfect hurricane,  
a cold N. E. wind - pouring rain -  
most awful weather! quite a storm - no  
doubt, this cold rain, will turn into  
snow - I am so anxious about Willie;  
how, will he get home, to-morrow? I am  
sorry, he went in to town - yesterday -  
what a change of weather, since yesterday!  
I am quite upset, when I think of  
Willie! Such weather! such awful roads!



William & John came - a trail during the night

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct - what a happy change in the weather, a lovely bright-morning - after the cold rain & hail - during the night - the beautiful Sunshine to - day is quite cheering, particularly after the fearful wet-day of yesterday - after Laurence Henri went out on horseback - Caro went out for a walk - Moise left at 10.0 P.M. for the Suisse, to fetch Willie home - it will be very dark & very late, when he arrives this evening - Henri has had lanterns put on Willie's waggon - I hope - he will be able, to see his wood-home - the roads are awful - they continue to take, any amount, of coats, to the granary - Perrault, is buying away, all the time. Willie & Anthea arrived at 1/2 past 8.0 P.M. - wood-fearful! the lamps, did beautifully - I am so happy to see them - all safe - they were all covered over, with mud!

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct - lovely weather, a beautiful Sunshine, a great many people at church - after supper Henri walked out, on the platform - Caro, Willie & Willie went out, on a long walk - They first went to the steeple - from there, walked all along the rails & went to see Labonté's house & saw St Charles, to tell him, Anthea would like, to take advantage, of the hand-car, to go to St John's, in the morning - they returned delighted, with their excursion -



Mr. Le Sueur, also had quite a long excursion,  
trip in his steambout, he went as far as  
Couture's Mills - the weather was lovely, the  
water, sufficiently high - and a good number  
of hands on board - this evening I retired early  
I was not well - Willie, Caro & Louie - played  
cards to a late hour - they enjoyed themselves  
immensely -

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct - Cloudy, cold, saw disagreeable  
weather - at 10 a.m. - ~~Left~~ left for St Johns  
Willie drove him, to the crossing, & there he found  
the hired Car - in readiness for him - a few  
moments after - Henri & Willie drove to Bedford,  
on business - the buggy with two horses - roads  
awful awful! I remained indoors all day -  
Caro went out for a short time - but after  
so disagreeable - Green planted out - some  
Lupinus & tulip bulbs - to day - the pansies  
& Trigonetta is yet, fresh & pretty, in the garden -  
I received 7 cheminées from Boston, for my Palmer  
Lamps - to day -



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Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup> — a severe frost last night — a cold North-wind — a bright sun — a great many people at church — & a very great many received this morning — Henri went to grand'père to le curé made a very able discourse — this afternoon, several persons, remaining after vesper. to go, to their confession — a lovely evening, bright & cold — a glorious sun-set! roads awful — Henri walked as far as the mill-house this afternoon — it did not fatigue him.

Wednesday 2<sup>d</sup> Nov. cold, damp & gloomy weather, a great many people at church — a great number, went to their communion — Henri was out, a great deal to-day — & he before luncheon — & again, the whole afternoon — how thankful I am, to see him, so much better in health, than, he usually is, at this season: frost last night — green, & dry, covering & whitening every thing for the winter.

Thursday 3<sup>d</sup> Nov. a severe frost last night — bright & lovely to-night — such a beautiful sunshine; it is quite delightful — Henri walked as far as church — before luncheon — & rode out, the whole afternoon with a Caro, went in their dance below dam — had great fun — Dr. Brigham came here to-day says, the roads, are awful — I wrote to Mr. Cuvillier



This afternoon to Mrs Campbell also - Green-bay  
preparing the beds & raking up - all the dead  
leaves - a glorious sun-set -

Henri & Willie left for  
town - went to St Johns -  
on the hand-car

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. This morning at 1/2 past 5 o'clock  
Henri & Willie left for town - they drove as far as  
the rail-way crossing - at the Petite Montee &  
there, they took, the hand-car, driven by  
three men - to St Johns - they had not been  
gone - 1/2 an hour - when it, began to rain,  
I have been, in such a state of mind, all  
day, fearing, that Henri, got wet & will have  
an attack of gout! I wish, I could know, exactly  
how he feels, after, this awful, rainy weather  
& fatigued, he must be, he was out up at 4 o'clock  
on his voyage de misere - S. E. wind - rain  
rain all day - a dull disagreeable day -

Henri & Willie returned  
from town

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. cold, windy, cloudy - awfully disagreeable  
Henri & Willie arrived at 1 o'clock P.M. - they came from  
St Johns on the hand-car, in 1 hour & 6 minutes, having  
three men to turn the car - Henri was cold &  
fatigued - what weather! he had all the time -  
God! grant he may not feel any bad effects,  
from this hurried trip to town - Willie, felt  
cold, also - they certainly had a time of it! all  
the rooms, up stairs & down stairs, have been



blue pills nicely cleaned & dusted, previous, to our putting up the  
Double-Lashes to-night, Henri takes a blue pill —  
he requires it — a very cold windy evening —

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. a severe frost last night — this morning at  
1/2 past 7.0. & 6 degrees cold — Henri feels all right again —  
a great many people at Church — Carr came to  
Grand' wife — not to us — Henri remained indoors  
all day — a cloudy morning — South wind —  
threatens rain — again — as for the roads — they  
are fearful! —

put-up the Double-Lashes  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov. rain in the night — a shower this morning,  
then cleared<sup>th</sup> & bright — soft & balmy, a beautiful  
sunshine — Henri took a long & ride on horseback  
before breakfast — & went out again, this afternoon  
Messire St Aubin, came to take luncheon & returned  
at 2.0. & P.M. he says the roads are awful — at 3.0. & P.M.  
An le Curé left for St Alexandre, for Lussier, driving him  
his intention, is to go on to town in the morning  
by the voisante's — Carr remained indoors, all day.  
I walked, as far as church — — put-up the  
Double-Lashes — this afternoon —



Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov. very mild pleasant weather,  
as for the roads, they are, in a most  
awful state - Huri drove, as far E. Phelps's -  
& said, when he returned, that, he had no idea  
of the fearful state of the roads - & would not  
drive in a hurry - Caro complained to-day  
of being a little weak & languish - she walked  
out - for a short time - Willie rode as far  
as Allan's corner - a cloudy evening - threatens  
rain - exceedingly mild for the season -

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. rain & again rain! what an  
extraordinary rainy season! the temperature, may  
be compared, to mild September; so soft & balmy -  
as for the state of the roads - it is not to be  
described - nothing keeps Huri, from riding  
only pouring rain, he had his ride on horseback  
this afternoon - he puts on, his immense  
long boots - & off, he goes! Willie, of course, is  
always out - Caro occupied, herself, with her  
pretty fresh work - I wrote to M. Bonchette, to  
thank him, for the very handsome  
dedication of his Impressions de voyage to me -  
he only sent the 1<sup>st</sup> Conte - it is written, in such  
a clear, amusing, style - his description of  
la Mahamison, a bits, inmates, is very flattering  
we were so much amused, on the perusal - of  
this pretty poem - I have asked, him to continue



till he reaches Mouspéhir - his descriptions will be  
so gay & interesting - all he writes - is always  
replete, with interest - a mild evening -  
the Barometre - still, moving towards - rain!

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Nov. a fine bright morning, very mild  
a pleasant - a lovely sunshine, a heavy windy  
afternoon - what a mild open season -  
what a pity, we have so much rain - it  
is a rule, rain every other day - even this  
evening, there is a black - cloud, hovering  
over us - roads - almost impassable -

Henri, rode out, this afternoon, on  
ferry - Piccolo requiring a little rest -  
Willie & Caro went out, for a walk -  
Caro is looking pale - she requires air,  
& exercise - Mr Le Cure returned from  
town, this morning, having left - by the  
D.C. train - and on reaching St John's,  
came on, immediately, with the hand-car,  
he arrived at the Station, here, 10 minutes after  
11.0.0 - quick travelling -



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Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. bright & fair, but cold & windy  
a heavy high wind, from the West - Henri  
Mrs Le Huria & Willie, after luncheon, went, with  
a hand-car - as far as Allen's Corner - & returned  
with the Engine - Henri had gone that far  
to see Mr Linsley or Moublean - he must  
return there, to-morrow - as they were  
not there - Perrault, commenced to put  
up his house to-day - an other addition  
to the buildings, near the depot - a  
cloudy evening, it looks like snow  
to-morrow - for rain - Caro complained  
of a pain in her chest, this afternoon -  
she has been weak & languid, these  
few days past - may she soon rally,  
& be quite herself again - I always  
anxious, when, I see her, looking delicate -

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. a cloudy, damp, disagreeable day -  
threatens rain - roads - fearful - Henri went  
to Allen's corner, after luncheon, Willie, went with  
him, - Caro is not, at all well - she is weak, &  
pain in her chest, & head-ache - I wish, I could  
see Wingham - I feel - anxious - she feels chilly -  
Willie, says, he does not, get, right either -  
What awful disagreeable weather -  
Henri rode out, on horseback, this afternoon -  
Jerry - is the horse, he rides - at present -  
X dear Caro has a most fearful headache!!



Whistler arrived -

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. an overcast, gloomy day, a great many people at church & they came on foot, to the ~~deception~~ of two vehicles at the Church door - no one was seen, but pedestrians - how zealous, these Parsonages are! it is edifying - Henri came to grand' wife, Carl drove in the Coke, with her father - dear child! what an awful head-ache, she had last evening, it was, heart rending, to hear her, & to witness her sufferings - she has not had, such a severe head-ache - since, many months - to-day, she is much better, although, she feels, still, a lingering pain - she is head - a pain in her back - God! grant she may soon, be quite herself again - she did not, come to supper - it was cold & windy -

Whistler arrived at 1/2 past 5 o'clock P.M. - he came on horseback - we were so happy to see him!

Whistler left -

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. hard-frost last night - the ground frozen - this morning, Messire Desrosier arrived here at 8 o'clock - he came with the platform, from his place - he spends the day - & returns, in the same way, this afternoon at 5 o'clock - this mode, of travelling, exempted him, from the awful roads - Whistler left at 10 o'clock A.M. - a bright fair day, but cold, & windy - Henri was out, on horseback, before



a after Luncheon — he feels cold riding on  
ferry — he is obliged, to go to a flower place  
Shops, with Piccolo — a glorious Sun-set —  
Caro walked out, with Willie & I took  
a turn in the garden — the digging is  
nearly completed — I find, the  
Correspondent, a journal, I received from  
Paris, the other day — most interesting —

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. a cloudy, cold, damp morning —  
Henri rode out on horseback, before Luncheon  
at 1/2 past 12, a.c. — after Luncheon — it  
commenced to snow, it increased, and it  
became, quite a heavy fall of snow — at a  
1/4 after 4 a.c. P.M. already an inch or a half  
deep had fallen — the trees, weighed down  
with the snow — this afternoon, it looks  
quite winter — Caro is still weaker &  
languid — she complained, of a pain, in  
her chest — it makes me miserable, when  
I see her looking delicate & ailing — it  
continues to snow in full earnest  
quite a hard!

a heavy fall of snow —



Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Nov. This morning, the roads, were  
still frozen, some people passed, in sleigh, after  
breakfast - Henri went to the depot - in his  
sleigh, he returned saying, there were, no  
roads for the sleigh, nor, for riding, or  
wheeling - about 4 inches of snow fell -  
it did not thaw - the snow, is like  
in winter - the trees, are yet, laden - with  
the snow - of yesterday's last night - it  
has been cloudy, all day - what fearful  
roads, this fall of snow, will make - if it  
melts & goes away - Caro went to church  
to make, her house - the platforms - were  
shovelled, like in winter - this morning  
to go to church - I wore, my winter traps -

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Nov - a cloudy morning, after mass - on  
my return, I found Mr Linsley waiting us, in  
the Parlor - neither Henri, Willie or Caro, had  
yet come down - we were delighted to see  
him - he breakfasted with us - a half  
an hour after - after Lunch - Henri  
& Mr Linsley drove to the station - in the  
sleigh - it was pitiful to see ferry, pulling  
the sleigh - there being no snow on the  
track - the hotel being so much full - Caro  
& I went for a walk - rain set in, at 4 a.m.  
P.M. - the snow will soon disappear -



Not a particle of snow to be seen  
all disappeared during the night

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. This morning, not a particle of snow to be seen - the 4 inches of snow, fallen, on Wednesday, all disappeared, during the night - it commenced to rain, in full earnest - at about, 4 A. C. P. M., yesterday & it continued to pour, the whole night - the rain, only ceased, this morning at 6, A. C. - when the weather cleared up, lovely & bright, a beautiful Sunday here, all day - a pleasant temperature - charming weather, over-head - as for the roads - they are awful! Henri rode out, on ferry - this afternoon - Caro walked up & down on the platform - Green, cannot work, in the garden - it is too much, to dig - no more appearance, of winter, for the present - Caro, is yet weak & languid -

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. a cold bright morning - a pleasant day upon the whole - a lovely Sunday here this afternoon - Henri rode out on horseback - Willie went to the police - with the Engine, returned at 4, A. C. P. M. - Sam the Quattler at Hobbs's - he was there, on a visit to James - till Monday - Caro walked out the whole afternoon - I have a fearful head-ache - a lovely Sunday - not cold, this evening -



a slight twinge of gout  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Nov - nice weather, fearful roads -  
a great many people at church - I remained  
at home - I am not well - Henri felt  
a slight pain in his foot - this afternoon  
I rather, think, he should now & then, have  
a little gouty pain - to know, its seat -  
I fancy, he will be all right, to-morrow -  
he swathed with Millie as far as the bridge  
it was on his return, that he complained  
of the pain - I intend to take 30 drops of  
Morphine to-day - I have slight pains -  
I must stop them, in time - Caro  
had to play the organ, for me, & for herself  
to-day

Monday 21 Nov. rain during the night - Henri  
remained indoors, all day, he took a 2<sup>d</sup> pill this  
morning, one of his usual pills, (L & L) which had  
the effect, of removing, the gouty pain - he  
is all right again - this morning, Caro  
went to Grand Mass - & received, & played the  
organ - pour la fête de St. Présentation -  
I am very weak, to-day - the Morphine, did  
not, give me any sleep - this morning  
I felt, miserably weak - it rained the  
greatest part of the day - very much -  
as for <sup>the</sup> roads, they are, almost impassable -  
the rain, again, set in, in full earnest, at



1/2 Just 5.0. C P. M - a continued raining - the whole evening - South - wind -

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Rain by torrents, all night & till this morning at 5.0. C - when, it turned, into snow - the ground is again, covered, with snow, but so soft & much, that, it will be all melted away, by this evening, unless the wind, shifts, to the cold - Billie went to St Johns, this morning, returned this afternoon at 5.0. C - Henri rode out on horseback - he rode Piccolo to - day - Caro walked out - I have not been out since last Saturday - river very high

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. it is immense the water fallen since some days - the ground is frozen - this morning - snowing & very cold - it looks like winter - roads fearful - it is neither good wheeling much less sleighing & bad walking - what an awful season! what fearful weather - this evening, it is clearing up, bright & cold - this morning, they took down, the two last, Cars, filled with oats - Perrault, has sent to St Johns some twelve thousand bushels - the Engine, Augereau, goes beautifully - it flies - a very cold, disagreeable, evening - Henri remained, indoors, all day - he feared the weather, so fearfully bad. Henri is 60 years old - to - day; God! grant him, a long life!



Blue pill all night

River partly frozen  
out

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Nov. cold & bright this morning -  
10 1/2 degrees cold - a lovely sunshine all the fore-  
noon - last night Henri took a blue pill &  
a sedative this morning - he is so much  
better - he required it, his liver, was becoming  
sluggish - he of course, did not, go out to-day  
although, when, he saw, the weather, so bright,  
he was tempted to do so - this afternoon  
the sky became overcast, cold & windy  
Caro put off, taking her walk till after luncheon  
she found it, cold & disagreeable & came in -  
she has not been well to-day - feeling weak  
& languid - a pain between her shoulders - a  
slight head-ache, this evening - Willie  
walked to Allan's corner - came back at 3 o'clock  
it threatens snow this evening - River frozen over  
as far, as the Steamboat dock -

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. Cloudy & damp threatening snow, no  
snow, a heavy fall - is at hand - Willie left for  
St John's this morning at 7 o'clock B.O.C. - Henri went  
to the station, before luncheon - he drove, in his cutter  
that is, ferry dragged him along - there are no roads,  
either, for wheeling, sleighing or walking - it is neither  
the one thing, or the other - Henri rode, this afternoon -  
Caro, feels a little stronger to-day - she requires  
a change - I long, for the Caro, to run - Willie  
went with the Engine, this morning - returned in  
time for dinner - all's well, at St John's -



Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov - a lovely bright morning, till 11 o'clock when it became cloudy, damp & disagreeable - roads - fearful - impossible to travel, in any kind of vehicle - walking, very muddy - in fact, we are stuck up - the only walk we have is on our platform - as far as church - This afternoon, Henri rode <sup>out</sup> - returned, covered, over with mud - Caro took her usual walk - I have not been out, since last Saturday - it threatens rain -

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov - a most dull gloomy day, drizzling rain this morning - after, much rain, during the night it commenced to rain, last night, at 7 o'clock - The roads - are fearful - not many people at church - Henri went to grand' Mère - I went also - fewer people, still, at vesper - the weather is certainly, most awfully disagreeable, so damp - it threatens, more rain, - after vesper, M<sup>r</sup> le Curé left, for M<sup>r</sup> Alexandre - Choivrière - drives, home - what an extraordinary season! so wet - so fearfully changeable, rain, one day, snow another - & again, rain & sleet! - since, I am residing in the Township, I have never <sup>seen a</sup> season so wet, & such awful roads! we are, really, quite, sequestered - unable, to go about - either for business or pleasure - and our promised rail-way, not yet,



in operation; & when, will it be, running? — I have  
a head-ache — I feel low spirited — this evening! —

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. a dense foggy morning — cleared up — the sun  
came out, for a short time — it became cloudy, damp,  
windy, disagreeable, to a degree — Thom rode, before  
luncheon, & again, after — he was out — a great deal  
to-day — Green, dug in the garden, to-day, there being  
no frost in the ground — not a particle snow, the  
fields quite bare — roads awful — fearful! — He & Anne  
returned from St Alexandre, for luncheon — Caro-  
took a long walk — she complained of a head-ache —  
on her return from her walk — she felt better — I have  
written several letters to-day — Willie has gone to  
the station, to wait for the engine if, it comes up, this  
afternoon, he will take advantage of it — to go to St Johns —  
It is not to be told, the immense quantity of oats,  
trapped here — to-day for Vermont — he has already  
sent upwards of ten thousand bushels to St Johns —  
& since last Saturday he has brought, upwards of  
three thousand bushels — our granary, is already  
too small — they are building up — Vermont's house  
as fast as they can — what an extraordinary season  
we have! rain has set in, in full earnest —  
what weather! blowing a hurricane!

Much rain this morning — by torrents —



*rain - rain by torrents*  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. What fearful weather! rain  
by torrents, all last night - & a continuation  
of rain again, by torrents, all day, it never  
ceased, and instant, to pour rain - it is not  
to be told, what a quantity of water, fallen -  
the river, very high - Willie went to the Johns  
at 1 o'clock P.M. having waited, at the station  
since 4 o'clock A.M. - it is perfectly ridiculous,  
not, to have, at least, a fixed time - for the  
Engine - to pass here - Of course, neither  
Henri nor Caro, could stir out, to-day -  
so much rain, fallen, since last night; -  
Willie returned from the Johns,

*more rain a forecast*  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. a dense foggy morning - a  
drizzling rain - What fearful wet weather  
the river very high - Mr. Lindsey came  
this forenoon - gave us the hope, that  
the rail-way, would be in operation, next  
week - Henri rode out this afternoon,  
withstanding the rain - I fear, he will  
feel bad effects, from remaining out, so long  
in such awful, wet weather - What  
a dreadful rainy season! - it is not at  
all what -



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Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December - for a wonder, no rain, to-day, a bright day - the Sun out - blowing a strong N. W. wind - cold & piercing - still, not cold enough, to freeze the mud - the platform was clean & dry - we walked to Church, with some comfort at all events - the roads, are dreadfully muddy - were it not, for the board-walk - to Church, we would have some difficulty, to get there - Caro walked out this afternoon, in the garden, on the platform - Henri rode out - as usual - returned, with awful muddy boots - a clear sky - a glorious sun - set - still windy - we are all wishing - it would freeze up - every where - in all directions - I am quite upset, by the melancholy tidings - of poor Mr. E. Maitland, death; he died, suddenly, at Marseilles - he was on route - for Nice - where - he was going to spend the winter - for his health - dear dear Mrs Maitland! how much I feel for her - General Bell & Mrs Bell - are with her - what a consolation for her, at this dreadful moment; dear Father & Mother, come, Oh, so much, for her at this hour, of trial!



Thurs Willie back to El Johns  
with Mr Lindsey

Em's not  
down yet - came

Willie - left for Burlington

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec - A lovely bright morning, so pleasant,  
a slight frost - enough to make it dry - it became  
overcast, this afternoon, very damp & disagreeable -  
Thurs left after breakfast to go to the Station, to  
meet Willie, who was there, since 7 o'clock A.M. -  
waiting for the Engine, to take him down - to  
El Johns - just before luncheon, Thurs came  
back - saying Mr Lindsey, was coming with  
Willie, to have luncheon & that, they would  
all go to El Johns together - I was so happy, Thurs  
had, made up his mind, to go, & have a troublesome  
painful, tooth extracted by Dr Wright & at the same  
time, to see James & Telegrapher Robert to come up  
on business, about, the Customs - It is past 6 o'clock P.M. -  
a very dark morning, cloudy, & damp, threatening  
rain - they have not yet, returned - I will  
only close my journal after their arrival -  
they arrived - at 8 o'clock P.M. - Thurs got his tooth extracted.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec - Rain & sleet during the night,  
and it continued to rain, by intervals, all day,  
this morning early, the ground, was covered, with  
snow - the rain, continuing, soon, caused it  
to melt away - this morning at 1/2 past 7 o'clock -  
Willie left for Burlington - Mr Lindsey came  
with the Engine, to pick him - the trip him,  
Thurs feels so relieved & happy, to have, that painful  
tooth, out of his mouth; it was a dentist in El Johns  
who took out, for him, he was very dexterous, & did



raining by torrents

it, in no time — Caro is so much pleased with her  
dear dog, Zou-Zou, it was quite an affair, this  
morning, to introduce him to the other dogs; — they  
were, all-very surly, & snappish, at first — as for  
Manger, I thought, he would, have devoured, poor  
Zou-Zou — Onche-la, snarled, & looked, very grumpy  
& ready, to give him a bite; — King, was also,  
rather, inclined, to grumble & make a rush at him —  
Watch, was, the only one, who, half civilly, allowed,  
Zou-Zou — to approach him, & even stated, he did  
not, know, whether, he was, a friend or a foe; —  
Onche-la — is jealous; — to-day, particularly, he is  
boulty, he searches, his master, every where,  
nips him; — however, this evening, poor  
Zou-Zou — seems to be allowed — to smoke, more  
freely, in the servants hall — without being,  
intimidated — by the other dogs — although,  
they have not yet, become, intimate friends,  
with him; — still raining, this evening, by  
torrents. — it was, Whisher, who brought Zou-Zou  
from town, yesterday morning — & Willie, brought  
him, to Caro, last evening — she intends, writing  
to her uncle Bonshette, to-morrow — to thank him,  
for his kindness, in sending her, Zou-Zou. — he wears  
a pretty collar, with, Middle des Miviers, Mahmoud,  
inscribed upon it — which her uncle, got made. —  
we all nips Willie — very much — this evening!



Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec - a very high wind, blowing  
from the S. W. - the sun peeped out, now &  
then, this morning - cold, & cloudy afternoon,  
very few people, at church - roads, impassable;  
neither driving nor riding, fearful bad, walking  
the few, that did attend, church, came  
across, the fields - Lou came to Mass -  
suffered, too much, from a nervous head-ache -  
could not come to vesper - poor child;  
it is really painful, to see her, in such  
a state of suffering - it quite upsets me -  
Henri remained in bed all day -  
I do miss my own dear Willie - to offer him,  
my best wishes, & my blessing - Dear Lou;  
he is four & twenty to - day - May he, always  
be good & pious - May the Mother of God -  
protect him - in a special manner - may  
his path, through life, be uncheckered - God!  
Grant him - success in, all his undertakings -  
May his high principles, of piety & honour  
always, dwell - in his heart - I hope, he  
is enjoying himself, at Warlington -  
a very cloudy afternoon -



Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - a bright cold morning - a disagreeable, cloudy, damp - afternoon - the roads - thawing again - they have become literally impassable - Henri rode to the station, before luncheon - he came in perfectly disgusted, with the state, of the roads - he went out, again, on horseback, this afternoon, returned, a mass of mud - he received a Telegram, from the Linsley - saying, they would, be here - to-morrow - we shall all, be so happy, to see dear Willie, home again - Caro, walked out, in the garden, as far as church - the board-walk, being, clear & dry - her favourite Lou-Lou followed her - he is very fond, of his mistress - Master-on-the-la - is not kind, to Lou-Lou - as for Thonger, he is very surly - it looks, & feels, like snow! What a fearful autumn we have had & we continue to have! Madame is busy making waist-tapers for church - she has made the female tapers, & the large ones - this continued wet & disagreeable weather, affects us all - Henri says, he feels, uncomfortable, weak & languid - although, he rides out every day -



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Willie returned from  
Huntington

a party of American  
gentlemen

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec - a pleasant bright morning -  
after breakfast. Henry rode up, to the station -  
after, a short time after, we heard the whistle,  
announcing the arrival of the Car - Willie  
rushed down, to say, they were all en route  
for St Johns, his Father, also, Mr Linsley, Mr  
Hatch, Mr Lochlin, Mr Hobart & Mr Krinkle - all  
going, to St Johns, on bus, concerning the  
rail-way - a short, on their return, they  
would, all come here, to take an early dinner  
at 2. a. c. - & off, he went - at 1/2 past 10. a. m. -  
we heard the whistle, again - saying they  
had returned - they all walked down from  
the station - took their, dinner at 2. a. c. -  
& left for St Albans, to the exception of  
Mr Hatch, who remained to sleep - & to be  
in readiness, to go on, again, to St Johns - in  
the morning, to fetch, Mr Indean, the  
Inspector - who is, to go over the road,  
to-morrow - & pronounce it, I hope,  
perfectly completed & ready - to travel over it -  
we were delighted, to have Mr Hatch, to  
spend the evening with us - he is such  
a nice pleasant person - very clever, very  
amusing - we enjoyed our evening very much -  
he taught us, a new game at cards - called  
Muggings, rather, an outlandish, name - but  
de même, we liked it - Willie has returned,  
delighted with his visit to Huntington - he



received so much kindness & attention - he brought  
Caro a set of buttons, for collar & cuffs - bone, a  
pretty pack of playing cards - for me - he  
is very thoughtful, he always, brings us -  
a petit luncheon - it is raining, this  
evening - very mild - I really believe, we  
shall have, no winter; what, ~~what~~ roads;  
they have become impassable - we are quite  
sequestered;

Mr Hatch left - Henri & Willie went  
over the road - with the Inspector -

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec - a dull, cloudy, sharp morning,  
after the rain, of last night - Henri, Mr Hatch &  
Willie took a very early breakfast, & they left  
immediately to go to the station, where, shortly  
after, the Car, arrived, to take them to London -  
the party consisted of, Mr Moore, (President of the road,  
the Directors, were, Mr Hatch, Mr Charles & Henri,  
Willie & Mr Lindsay the Secretary, Mr Baker - they  
went, for the Inspector, Mr Indecue, who arrived  
by the 12.0.0 Train - from Dublin - they took  
him over, the road, he pronounced it - a very  
good road - & all & every thing, about it - quite  
correct - Mr Lindsay gave them Luncheon, on  
board the Car - Champagne & potatoes & meats &  
all sorts, of nice things - finally - it was  
past 7.0.0 P. M., when Henri & Willie returned -  
we took a very late dinner - it is raining  
very mild -



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the river  
it blew a perfect hurricane all day  
it is something fearful!  
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Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec - Very few people at Church - it  
has been blowing a perfect hurricane, since  
some time, in the night - it never ceased,  
for an instant - the wind is so high a  
piercing cold! it is fearful - it was with  
much difficulty, we could walk, from here  
to Church & back - we were, quite exhausted,  
could hardly draw one's breath, from the  
fatigue of walking against the wind - I do  
not remember, ever, seeing, such a continuance  
of an hurricane! it is awful! the fences, are  
shaking & ready to come down, at every  
instant - what wind! what wind! the  
ground is frozen very hard - is this  
winter? God! grant it is - Harry came  
to grand' Mamma - he felt the cold - very  
much - he shone, on the toes! awful!  
to go to vesper - I dressed - like in January -  
to protect myself - from the dreadful piercing  
wind - -

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - Very cold -  $9\frac{1}{2}$  degrees - a high wind  
from the N.W. This morning, I found it  
piercing cold, when going to Church - had to protect  
my face - with my fur, a wound my neck -  
it was intensely cold - A bright sky, a lovely  
sunshine - as for the roads - they are  
almost impassable, the roughness of the roads



not to be told, the hobs fearful - Henri rode out  
 this afternoon - Caro walked to the station, with  
 her brother - her favorite Lou-Lou followed her -  
 she found the walking, so fatiguing, so rough -  
 as for driving, it is impossible to get on -  
 if, we do not get snow, very soon - we shall  
 be, ~~in~~ in a most pitiable state - neither, driving  
 nor riding, nor walking, on the road - the  
 severe frost - has made the roads - as hard  
 as stones - no more mud, to be seen, now,  
 untill spring! - the river - will be taken  
 to-morrow - I fancy - it is not yet frozen  
 over - but, as the Canadian's <sup>say</sup> - l'été est éternel,  
 a most lovely moonlight - as bright as day!  
 very cold, this evening -

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - a cold disagreeable morning - the  
 heavy fall of snow - commenced in full earnest, at  
 8 A.M. - Willie left this morning at 10 A.M. for  
 the post - in a hand-car - en route for town -  
 this afternoon, there was sleighing - Henri  
 went to the station - I was in the parlour, all day  
 lounged on the sofa - Caro & I went to  
 church - early this morning - it continued  
 to snow - all day - & again this evening -  
 this is winter indeed! - Henri took a blue  
pill to-night - he says he feels gouty!

La semaine est barbare -

Willie left for town -  
 winter has in to-day -  
 a heavy fall of snow

The river frozen  
 over  
 blue pills



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Willie returned -  
 Henry & Willie came & returned

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec - good sleighing - a great many people  
 at church - I did not go - not feeling at all well -  
 I have those disagreeable pains again, since a  
 few days - more or less, I have felt them - I always  
 fear, an inflammation - Henry complains, of a  
 pain in his hand - no doubt - it is the gout -  
 at 2.0.0 P.M. - Willie arrived - Mr. Fisher & Henry  
 brought him from St. Johns - he had slept there  
 last night - the came in a sleigh - I was  
 so very, to see Henry & Mr. Fisher - return back, so  
 soon - they left at 4.0.0 P.M. - I wanted them  
 to remain till the evening & return by moonlight -  
 they insisted on leaving - Henry has the  
 gout in his left hand - I am not well this  
 evening - Mr. Fisher went to Henry - Willie returned  
 in the evening a lonely moonlight

a fearful-snow-storm - a  
 great deal of snow, it is  
 most awful weather & the  
 drifting, not to be told!

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec - What a fearful snow-storm!  
 it is awful! the drifting, is something,  
 dreadful - we have, not had, any thing  
 like this storm, since three years - the  
 roads - are blocked up, by immense snow-banks  
 the pondice is fearful - the accumulation  
 of snow - already, every where - is dreadful  
 fortunately, all the fences are down -  
 Cars intended going to town, to-morrow -  
 of course, she must give it up, there will be  
 no roads - Willie remained, in bed all day,



your  
his hand, is much swollen & painful — he took a 2-pill  
this morning — I am a shade better — I doubt, we  
shall have, a mail, this evening — this fearful  
snow-storm will probably, prevent the trains, arriving  
at the usual hour — perhaps, are they blocked up, in  
some corner or other — notwithstanding the awful storm,  
Willie, went out, with two horses — breakfast — he encountered,  
much difficulty & banks of snow! — a boisterous, cold  
night — the snow storm, not at all abated —

Tuesday 13 Dec — Intensely cold, 22 1/2 degrees — this morning  
at 8. A.M. — banks of snow, in all directions, the  
accumulation, of snow, opposite here, & near the  
church, is extraordinary — it seems, there are  
no roads, as yet beaten, in the grand' league —  
no mail last evening — the hope, to have  
one, this evening — Annie did not sleep, much.  
he was restless he took colchicum last night  
a perfect spoonful — his pill, as usual & a pill  
again, this morning — his hand, much swollen  
he remained in bed, all day — I would  
have preferred, to see him, come down — for  
an hour or so — to change, the air of his  
room — he would, not leave, his room —  
Willie & Cora went out driving, this afternoon  
they went, where, the snow, had not, blocked  
up, the road — Cora required, a little fresh  
air, she had, a fearful nervous headache, a fit,



a weight on her chest - difficulty of breathing, at times -  
no doubt, a nervous sensation - she took ether -  
her drive did her good - she returned, feeling,  
better - a cloudy evening - looks like snow again -  
a cold evening - we had all hands, busy shovelling  
in every direction - the mail - came to night -

Another fearful  
snow-storm!  
fearful drifting

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec - Another Snow-storm! most  
fearful drifting from the S. E. - roads,  
filled, blocked up - in all directions!  
What weather! What is going, to become  
of us! Therie better, got up at 3 a.m. P. M.  
came down - he looks, bright - after, taking  
Coburn's pills - his liver, required, a  
shaking - his hand, much better - a  
very fine Car, trapped on our line, to-day  
Mr Lindsay & others, were on board - we  
went up to the station - to wait, the return of  
the train - & see Mr Lindsay, who has kindly  
lent a Car, to Corcoran's disposal - for 9 a.m. to  
do-morrow - it is drifting still - cleared up  
at 10 a.m. - a bright moon & starry sky -  
Mr Le Cure went to St Alexandre this afternoon -  
Thursday -



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Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec - a cold bright morning - the Sun out,  
 & lonely - roads very full - Henri had a poor night  
 suffered, all over, he felt so poorly - he was restless,  
 took no colicium, but right & will take some to-night  
 I fear, the attack, will last, longer, than we expected -  
 he looks, worn & fatigued to-night - his hand - is  
 still swollen & painful - he feels lonely - Willie  
 & Caro are both away - they left this  
 morning at 9 a.m. - for St John's - in a comfortable  
 Car - I fear, they arrived too late - for the  
 Montreal train - will have to wait - till  
 to-morrow morning, to go on to town - I hope  
 their Caro, will be benefited - by the change  
 of air - busy putting up the window curtains  
 this afternoon - poor Lou-Lou - is lost  
 without his mistress - he looked for her, every  
 where - it looks like snow again - Mr Le Crie  
 returned this afternoon from St Alexander -  
 the roads, to the Loup's - impassable -  
 Messire Desroves, kindly sent me - a beautiful  
 basket of apples - & some more -

Willie & Caro left for St John's  
 in a Car - en route - for town -



Milk-maid this morning

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec - a pleasant day - Henri suffered very much during the night - he had a most severe attack of gout in the hand - his hand is fearfully swollen - The Colchicum, he has taken, does not seem, to do him much good - he is nervous - irritable, from pain - Milne returned from town at 4 o'clock - he left Caro quite well - he brought me a carpet for the dining, Chintz for curtains - Leno purchased all this for me at Healdry's - God blessing - God! grant Henri many rest to night - I am fatigued to - night - a rheumatic pain - in my shoulder - annoys me - Colchicum again to night -

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec - most charming mild weather I went to early mass - this morning, I found it so reviving, to breathe fresh air; I had not been out since eight days - Henri passed a bad night, very restless, his hand made him suffer, more dreadfully - he took Colchicum last night, without effect - I believe - this afternoon, he vomited - most fearfully - I was, quite sure, he would have, no relief, untill, he had experienced those Vomacis - & got rid, of the phlegm & slime, which always make him feel, such a malaise; - he took no dinner, nothing but milk & soda - that beverage - certainly, agrees, well, with him - he feels, quite, & disposed to dose - I am in hopes, he will have some sleep



to-night - & so will I - I have been very busy to-day -  
putting curtains, laying down carpets - & unpacking the  
winter groceries - all this, could only be attended, to, by  
snatches - when I could leave Henri, in charge - of some  
one - - Several Cars - passed to-day - carrying oats  
for Boston -

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Sunday 18 Dec - A lovely bright day - & such a beautiful  
clear sky - fine weather, from town de bon -  
Willie went to grand'papa's - he said, a great many  
people attended - I remained, with Henri, who is  
very much better - he took two of his pills last night  
and colicium - he passed a good night - he had  
some sleep - & was refreshed, this morning -  
his hand, is on the mend - although, still swollen,  
but, nothing like yesterday - his eyes, are bright,  
his colour, so much better - he has kept his bed,  
ever since Thursday - afternoon - I feel thankful  
to see him, so much better - I went to Mass - had  
to play the organ - after Mass - M. le Curé, left  
for St. Alexandre - en route for town - Willie, intends  
to leave, early in the morning



Willie left for home

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - Snowing again - all day - mild,  
Henri better, got up at 30.0 P.M. - feeling  
better - he took a pill again this morning.  
his hand, much less swollen, - Willie left early  
this morning for the Loixante's - en route for  
town - I expect them all to-morrow -  
I am fairly worn out - I have been on my  
feet all day -

Mr & Mrs. Carr, Miss Agnes, Miss Louisa  
Lara & Willie arrived

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - a beautiful fair bright day - 10 degrees  
below this morning - a clear sky - Henri had some  
sleep - after mid-night - he took two of his pills last  
night - he finds, they did him good - his  
hand, is much less swollen - he feels weak &  
languid - to-day - I had a letter, last evening, from  
dear Lara - she says - I may expect her & her  
friends, this evening - I hope so - sleighing  
is very good - I feel worn out - I have been  
so much on my feet, of late - I cannot say  
the deep anxiety, I felt, until, they all arrived -  
the whistle of the engine, was not heard before  
past 8.0.0 P.M. - I fancied something, must have  
happened - I was so happy to see them arrive  
in perfect safety - they never left the folds before 7.0.0,  
at all events - they have all come - & I, truly happy  
to see them - my dear Lara - is looking well - they are  
fatigued - & will retire early - Henri takes, but one pill  
to-night - he suffers a little to-night -



Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec - a pleasant morning - Miss Sykes, Caro & Willie, ~~that~~, before luncheon, Louise, went to Church, during that time - It commenced to snow - at 12.0. i.e. notwithstanding, they all went out, for a slight drive - They returned delighted with their drive - Therie is quite on the mend - he came down to luncheon - his hand, is very much better, the swelling having so much gone down - I feel thankful, to see him, so much better - I had such a quantity of boxes to unpack to-day -

a very heavy fall of snow during the night - 20 inches fallen

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec - such an awful fall of snow - fortunately the drifting was not sufficient, to block up the roads - it fell, ~~quietly~~ quietly, but the depth of the snow, was to be told! - The sun came out this afternoon - Therie feels much better, the two pills - did him, good - he wore, a mitt - to-day - he looks rather pale since 14 days - that <sup>he</sup> ~~he~~ stuck up, without breathing fresh air - it quite enough - to make him feel weak & languid - & taking pills & easy day - after luncheon - Miss Sykes, Louise, Caro & Willie went out, snow-shoeing - they had enough, of snow - for that kind of exercise - ah! me what a quantity of snow! - no roads, beaten as yet -

snow-shoeing -



Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec - intensely cold: 22 degrees, this morning  
 fearfully cold: no road-beaters, impossible, to  
 remain out, any length of time - it is something  
 awful: Henri took Colerium last night - a deffest  
 spoonful - also one of his pills - he feels better, he  
 suffered from his elbow last night - he remained  
 in bed, till late this afternoon - it was so  
 cold - cloudy & gloomy, disagreeable - he preferred  
 to lounge in his bed & read the papers -  
 X Julien, came to - day - he arrived at Pare's, last  
 night - it is dreadful, to hear him relate, all the  
 misery, cold & difficulty, he had, to get, at his journey,  
 end - he has come, to live here - for a short time -  
 the cold - will be awful - again to - night - Miss Agnes  
 has a bad cold - I made 10 lbs apple jelly to - day -

Henry, & Charles  
 arrived by the train -

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec - Cloudy, not cold - only 14 degrees, cold  
 this morning - Henri suffered last night - only  
 slept, towards morning - feels much better, to - day  
 got up at 3.0. a. P. M. - at 2.0. P. M. - Henry, & Charles  
 Charles W. & Mr. V. Schale - arrived - they came  
 with the train, that went to the police this morning  
 it was, a bit of good luck for them, to fall in  
 with the train & I regret so much, Anne, nor  
 Jimmy, come - it was quite a disappointment to  
 me - Henri took a deffest spoonful of Colerium  
 & one of his pills, again, to - night - I hope he will  
 soon, cease, taking Colerium - it always fatigues him -



this evening, there was music & singing - after which, they  
played cards - till 11 o'clock P.M. - when they commenced  
to prepare, to go to mid-night Mass - Charles Goustillier  
did not feel well enough, to go - he retired early -  
I remained at home, in case Henri, would  
require my attendance - it is now past 12 o'clock  
I am snubbling away - I will sit up, to wait  
their return - & offer them, a reveillon, - all  
around me - is so silent! lamps burning, in  
all the rooms - I shall now - say my prayers -  
offer my humble homages - to the Infant Jesus!  
Miss Symes & Caro are to sing, several Antistes  
during Mass - & Whistler - will accompany them  
on the organ - they all returned at 1/2 past  
1 o'clock A.M. saying the Mass - had been most splendid  
& the singing, charming - they took a hearty  
reveillon & went to bed at 1/2 past 2 o'clock - I am  
a little fatigued - a nice pleasant night -

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec. Noël - most lovely weather! a  
great many people at church - the Mass - was  
most magnificent - Miss Symes & Caro sang it  
remarkably well - (La Messe de Concone) - the Salut  
was most brilliant, the altar was splendid -  
vespers - were sang at 1/2 past four o'clock - I was  
forgetting, to mention, the pretty pain baint  
given by the Curé & offered by Louise Cuvillier  
& Charles Goustillier - au Refect de Chœur, collected -



Henri very much better - dined with us - music  
a singing & cards & proverbs this evening -

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec - Mild, thawing, the snow very  
wet - after breakfast, Mr Delisle & Willie, went  
out shooting - they shot, at a hare & a partridge -  
unfortunately - left, their game, in the forest -  
They all went out driving - this afternoon, they  
enjoyed it, immensely - they came in late  
for dinner - I walked out this afternoon -  
Henri, so much better - came down to  
luncheon - Henry & Fido - left after luncheon  
Kerrault drove them to St Johns -

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Dec - Rain this morning, so very soft  
& mild - the snow has gone down very much -  
Henri quite himself again - wears a thin suit -  
Whilst we were at lunch - our much esteemed  
dear friend, Rev. Pere Lagier - arrived - we were  
so truly happy to see him - it is quite a  
fete - for us - to have him here - this  
morning Mr Delisle & Charles, hired their train  
they drove down to St Johns after luncheon -  
Miss Lyne & Willie drove in one sleigh & Louise  
& Caroline in another - they liked their drive -  
Monsieur St Aubin, came in for dinner -  
I wrote to dear Mrs Maillard to - Mary -



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Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec - rain by torrents all day - the snow-  
diminishing very fast - Henri is improving daily - he  
still hears a little - M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Aubin left early this  
morning - we went to Mass - this morning - There-  
was no going out to-day - the young ladies,  
obliged to remain indoors - occupied themselves, working  
fine work, embroidery, reading, music, & singing -  
this evening, card conversation, M<sup>rs</sup> V<sup>ice</sup> L<sup>adies</sup> L<sup>adies</sup>  
remains with us, till to-morrow - we are so  
delighted to have him here - Henri takes Colchicum  
to-night a depos-spoonful & a pill -

M<sup>rs</sup> V<sup>ice</sup> L<sup>adies</sup> L<sup>adies</sup> left

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Dec - Very mild, snow during the night -  
Henri feels better - the dose of Colchicum of last night  
did him good - he got up for luncheon - our  
dear friend V<sup>ice</sup> L<sup>adies</sup> L<sup>adies</sup> left this morning by the  
train - for St. John - we regretted, he could not  
remain longer - Caro is not well, she has a  
sore throat & a pain in her back - she has  
taken cold - Louise went to Mass this morning  
at 1/2 past 5 a.m. - she received - M<sup>rs</sup> L<sup>adies</sup> L<sup>adies</sup> went  
to St. Sébastien - returned for dinner -

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Dec - bright & cold after the snow fallen  
last night, there was also a little drifting - Henri  
feels better, he took Colchicum last night - Caro's  
sore throat, much better - Miss Lyman walked  
out on snow-shoes, this morning, drove in the  
afternoon & came to church, on her return, from her



drive - Louise & I were also at church -  
a blustering evening - wind. S. E. - I fear more  
snow. -

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> Dec - this is, the last day - of 1864!  
have we, not, reasons, many reasons, to be a  
thousand times thankful, to divine Providence,  
to have protected us, during the past year; to have  
granted us, health & all the comforts of life - we  
have been blessed, in many circumstances & been  
spared <sup>from</sup> so many troubles & afflictions, which have  
been the lot of many - even, within, the circle  
of our friends - some, have had, to submit, themselves  
to severe trials, ordained by divine Providence -  
I again repeat - how thankful we must be  
to Him, who, has, dealt so kindly, with so  
much mercy - to us; let us, take the resolution,  
of becoming, more & more faithful, to our  
religious duties - may we, never, swerve our ways; -  
may we, pray, with fervour, & bear patiently,  
with, any disappointment, or grief, that  
Almighty may send us - let us always, bow  
down, with a Christian feeling, to the decrees  
of Providence - God! grant health, to my dear  
Henri - my own dear children; may they  
continue to be good & pious - may their path,  
through life, be that, of virtue & strict principles,



of rectitude - being kind & benevolent - friendly to the poor -  
may that, keep link of affection, which, now, exists, between  
my dearest children, always last! may they, always  
cling, to their old mother, who loves them, so dearly;  
so fondly! What will, this new-year, bring us? what  
is in store? Le bon bien sent, le fait! que da  
divine & bloute soit faite! - Henri says, he  
still feels - a little gouty, to - right - I hope & trust,  
he will be better - to - morrow - Caro went out  
for a drive this afternoon - Miss Sykes drove her.  
This morning - Miss Sykes & I, received - Louise  
& Willie came to May - Caro was not well enough  
to rise, so early - This afternoon, on Willie's  
return from Bedford - Miss Sykes, Louise &  
Willie, went in the Toboggan - having ferry  
to draw it - they returned so pleased, so delighted,  
but, they had their clothes all wet & covered  
with snow - They did not mind it - they  
enjoyed it immensely! & are ready, to have  
an other drive of the kind - I really fear,  
they will cough, after this, impudent, sortie -  
I hope my dear Caro, will be strong & well, to-morrow  
she complained of a pain between her shoulders, to-day -  
a lonely evening - it is clear & cold - - - I have  
a head-ache - I feel low-spirited - why?



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Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January - Cold & cloudy - a great many people at church to-day - Mr. Le Cure gave us a very nice short discourse - in wishing us a happy New-year - may we all, put in execution, the valuable advice given us - Henri, suffered during the night, he is better to-day, got up for luncheon - we had supper at 12 o'clock - as the "Angelus" rang, we went in to church again - it is intensely cold - to-night, it threatens a storm - I fear - Caro coughs a little - God! grant, we may, be faithful to the resolutions, we took to-day - Miss Symes, presented Caro with a most beautiful boubaunier - Louise also gave her, a very pretty one - she was very kind of them, to have thought of Caro -

Monday 2<sup>d</sup> Jan - cloudy - 11 degrees cold, morning, the weather, became, much milder, now a few flakes of snow, falling - Henri, better, I am in hopes he will, soon, be well enough to go out - Messrs. Desroze, Dupuis & Gauthier, came to take luncheon with Mr. Le Cure - They returned home, at 2 o'clock P.M. - Miss Symes & Louise went snow-shoeing - They enjoyed it, very much - on their return, they all went



out for a drive - Caro joined them for the drive - dear  
child, she is better - last night, she took a <sup>teaspoonful</sup>  
of Paregoric &  $\frac{1}{2}$  tea spoonful of herby balsam - it did  
her good - she still coughs & looks weak -  
I hope & trust, she will be all right - to - morrow -

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan - Most charming weather - so bright &  
fair - a beautiful clear sky - the sun out - it has  
been quite a pleasant day - only 8 degrees cold;  
Theri much better, hopes to get out to - morrow  
for a slight drive - his hand is still, stiff &  
a little swollen - he requires a little fresh air -  
he has now been shut up - nearly four weeks  
after Larchmont - Miss Symer, Louise, Caro, &  
Willie went out for a long drive - as far, as  
Moose's corner - or rather, the Armand's Station -  
Willie has gone there, to get some information  
about the strain we see, pass here, every morning  
at the same hour - where, does it come from &  
where, does it go? I long to hear, all about it -  
I do not expect the Young party home - before  
dinner time - roads - very good - Mr Le Cure  
went to George to see Messrs H. Aubin, who is indis-  
posed - he returned for dinner - I walked out this  
afternoon -



visited the cottages

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan - knowing the greatest part of the day, without wind & pleasant - Henri says his dinner spoonful of Colobium - did him so much good - he steps well - & feels, altogether much better - after luncheon - the young party went out for a drive - I went round to pay a visit to all our employes - I found their little cottages, all so neat & nice - their children, all, so healthy & clean - I was delighted to see them, all looking so comfortable & happy - Louise & Willie more as far as Henri, they went to purchase ribbon - or rather, pretended to do so -

Pepe, Annie, Harry, & the more  
a family - came

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan - cold & cloudy, Henri better - still obliged to remain indoors - it is too cold - for him to venture out, his hand - is still, a little swollen - this morning, Willie went to the fields by the train with Syner, Louise & Caro took a walk this afternoon - I was out, early this morning, found it cold & disagreeable - threatening, a snow storm I hope, I am mistaken in any prediction - at 4.0. P. M. - Pepe, Annie, Harry, Willie, Theodore & Willie all arrived from the fields - we were so, truly happy to see them - our dear old Pepe, we had not seen, here - since such a long time, we found him looking well - dear Jimmy is still, improved, dear Oliver child;



Annie is well — This evening we had delightful music —  
a lovely moonlight —

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan — A great many people at church —  
Henri was yet well enough to go to church — he  
is very much better — Miss Sykes & Caro sang  
that beautiful little Mass — by, Someone, — they sang  
it admirably — at the Offertoire, Miss Sykes sang  
Salutaris, beautifully — at Salut, she sang — one  
piece alone — a lovely Sanctus Ergo, with Caro —  
the singing, was indeed most lovely — Mr & Mrs  
who is, so difficult — was much pleased —  
Musie this evening — & proverbs, —

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan — a fearful frosty morning;  
much snow — such a pondrée; 10 degrees cold;  
it cleared up in the afternoon, the cold increased  
after luncheon — Henri drove to the Destivores Station  
with Annie, much also intending to leave for St. John  
by the Local train — it had passed — when they arrived —  
still, they waited there, for some time, expecting  
Honi Foster, would pass in his own train (the Farkham),  
on seeing he was so late coming — Annie & Annie,  
came back — & Henri waited till 3.0. P.M. — &  
returned, without seeing Mr Foster — Miss Sykes  
Annie, Jimmy, Arth, Theodore & Willie, all went, to

Henri went to the Station



for a drive, in the Tobogan. They wore costumes adopted, for that kind of amusement - They enjoyed it, immensely - returned so delighted with their excursion - They had been snow-shoeing, previous to their going with the Tobogan - This evening, they are a little fatigued, Louise preferred walking - to any other exercise. I remained indoors - all day - Henri says, it did him good to breathe fresh air - This evening - lovely music - & fireworks, - a lovely bright moon - Henri had not been out - since 4 long weeks -

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Jan - very cold - 24 degrees this morning left people at church than usual - the intense cold abated this afternoon - Henri went out, for a few moments, to breathe, fresh air - after supper - M<sup>r</sup> le Curé left for M<sup>r</sup> Alexandre - en route to Montreal, taking the early train at 12 o'clock this morning - after luncheon Néphe & Henri drove to the Station - Miss Agnes Carr, Edith & Willie went snow-shoeing - Annie accompanied Jimmy, who was on snow shoes also - Louise & I walked to church - the gay party - went out for a drive, in the Tobogan - Anne, went also - M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Aubin came to dine with M<sup>r</sup> le Curé - finding him, absent - he remained to dine with us, but he même -



after having smoked a pipe with Howe - he left -  
a very cold night - a bright moon -

~~Monday~~ 9<sup>th</sup> Jan - much drifting during the  
night - the roads, blocked up - in some places  
& very full every where - after luncheon - Pepi  
a Henri drove to the station - Miss James, Caro, Howe  
& Willie went snow-shoeing, accompanied Jimmy  
who, was also, on snow-shoes - Louise & I walked  
to Church - at 4 a.m. - the gay party, went  
out for a drive, in the Sobogau - Minnie & Jimmy  
went also - a cloudy day -

Gov Governor Smith was very fatigued  
& his & Mrs Lindsay children & nurse  
Hathorn & Anne left -

Thurs day 10<sup>th</sup> Jan - Snowing a little drifting in  
the morning - after an early breakfast, Howe &  
Minnie went up to the station - to await the  
arrival of the - which only stopped at 10 a.m.  
in the interim, Henri, James & Willie went up  
to the station - When the train, did, come -  
Henri received a letter from Mr Lindsay  
saying, 'We are a small party going on to  
the Johns, for the pleasure of going over the  
' roads - we shall return immediately, I hope  
' you will all join us & be at the station  
' when, the whistle, will call you -' Willie  
rushed down to show me the letter, we all  
hustled, & went up to the station, to await



their arrival - it was 12 o'clock, noon, when they arrived, they were in that magnificent Car, called the Governor's Car - It is really very beautiful - I should say, unequalled, any where - there, we found on board, Mrs Governor Smith and Mrs Hatch, and Mrs Linsley & children - which formed their party - our party, was, Miss Symes, Louise C. Law, James Theodore, Henri, Willie, Jimmy & myself - we were all so happy to make one & another, acquaintance - we all sat down comfortably to enjoy a pleasant chat - at the same time regretting, that a Annie, had gone on, a head of us, as we should have preferred having them with us - also regretting Mr & Mrs Cure's absence as Mr Hyacinthe, depriving him, of this pleasant little party, as we expected, - however, our anticipations of enjoyment, were soon put to an end - when, we had to go through, a bank of snow, & the weather, having become very boisterous, the drifting, fearful - Mrs Linsley immediately said - I fear, we shall have some trouble, to get on - we then espied, the train, that had left at 10 o'clock A.M. - stuck fast blocked up - Mrs Linsley - with difficulty, walked to it - found it had been ~~to~~ just out of the tracks, on coming in collision, with, a large bank of snow - That a Annie had left the Car - got a slight, & proceeded to St Johns - Mr Linsley



Then, got the Engine, to come on to us, as an addition  
to our strength, to get us on - and of course, to  
come back to Redmillers Station - all this, <sup>happening</sup>  
up, was at St Alexandre's - When I saw, the  
state of things & such brisk weather  
blowing a perfect hurricane - I immediately  
proposed to the party - not to go further, <sup>there</sup>  
Malmaison - Henri joined me - in pressing  
them all - to remain with us - till, there  
was - a possibility - of their going on - they  
at last consented - they looked upon it, as an  
indiscretion, being so many - however, I succeeded  
in making them feel comfortable on that  
score - finally, the flight came for us at the  
Station - & we all came home - spent a  
a gay pleasant time - many things, was got  
up - to them feel at ease & comfortable - we  
mutually enjoyed ourselves very much - passed  
a pleasant evening - Music & Cards & games.  
Mrs Smith is an uncommon clever woman -  
having a great deal to say - she is a very  
interesting person - Mrs & Mr Thatche charming  
people - Mrs & Mr Linsley great favorites - little  
Joe - a fine manly little fellow - little Henry, a  
sweet little angel - I really feel delighted,  
to have made their acquaintance - all this  
excitation - has done Henri, a world of good -  
he enjoys it - even James, seems, to take  
interest, in this reunion - showing,



blowing, drifting fearful weather to-night -  
No Mail - the rail-roads blocked up - !

Our American Friends left  
the quantity of snow - not to be told!

No mail - the  
rail-roads blocked up.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Jan - much drifting during the night -  
this morning, a little drifting from the west -  
as for roads, these are none & blocked up,  
in all directions - Banks of snow - the storm abated  
about noon - the Sun came out - & our friends  
entertained the hope of soon hearing the whistle,  
which we did, at 2 o'c P.M. - when two engines  
arrived at the station - Mr Lindley went up -  
& all the party soon followed - they parted  
from us, with a kind feeling of friendship,  
& thanks for our hospitality - & surprise at  
having had an opportunity of showing them  
some attention - we very much esteem our  
American friends - Thos & Willie, went with  
them, as far as the Grand's Station - the  
Annual Meeting, which was, to have taken place  
to-day - has been put off - till next Monday -  
the immense quantity of snow, is not to be  
told - Miss Symes & Caro went snow-shoeing  
to show, the American Ladies, what,  
snow-shoeing - was - they also, went in the  
Tobogan - it was quite a novelty for them  
to see, this mode, of amusement - a  
fine evening -



Mail in to night  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. Snow again during the night - Snowing  
without a ~~high~~ to-night - the accumulation of snow  
is fearful - but can with suffice, to get the snow, carried  
away - it is quite a labour, to be shovelling away the  
snow - like this - not cold - cloudy - Henri quite  
well again, to the exception of his hand - being  
still a little weak & stiff - they all went out for a  
drive - Willie driving Miss Symes & ~~Jimmy~~ Jimmy  
a Caro driving Louise - Henri Theodore  
drove up to the station - ceased, snowing  
at 4 o'clock P.M. - such fearful heavy roads -

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan. very mild & pleasant - the sun  
out so bright & lovely - before luncheon  
Miss Symes, Caro & Willie went snow-shoeing -  
they went bare shooting - saw one, but could  
not get at it - in the afternoon they all went  
for a drive - Caro drove Louise, Willie drove  
Miss Symes & Jimmy - found the roads  
heavy - Henri drove out - for a while -  
I walked to church - the platform - clear  
a nice time in summer - how much snow,  
has been shovelled, about the premises, since  
some days; this evening, it again  
looks, like snow -



again a snow-storm.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan - Much snow fallen during the night - the platform again, covered over with deep snow - much drifting from the N. E. - Snowing all day - quite a storm - we all went to early Mass - & remained indoors, the remaining part of the day - Willie went to Bedford - to attend a meeting of the Council - Theodore drove with him, the Bedford - roads almost impassable so blocked up, with the immense quantity of snow fallen! again shovelling, in all directions - ah! what are we going to do? the depth of snow - not to be told - Miss Sykes - has been busy, at her free work - Caro has taught her - she is getting on, very nicely - Caro has just finished, two very pretty pieces of free work, to send to Quebec - to Robert & Clara Bonshette - may the snow-storm abate - poor people - how will they manage, to come to church, to-morrow?

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Jan - Much snow during the night - a cold morning - a bright afternoon, a lovely sunshine - roads, very heavy, such an immense quantity of snow - Every where - Henri went to grand' messe - he feels greatly this evening - I hope, he will be better to-morrow - a cold bright evening - I have a head-ache -



The Montreal & Vermont Junction,  
Rail-road. Opened to-day, to the  
Public!! a new Era for us!

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Jan - intensely cold: 20 degrees, this morning - Henri & Willie took an early breakfast, went up to Desbivieres Station - to await a train, to take them on to St Armand's Station, where, the Meeting of the Directors of this rail-road, is to meet - I do not know at what time they will return - Whilst they were, waiting for their train - the train for St Johns, came by - a fine Car - it was quite an event, to see it, stop at the Station & take in passengers from to - Day - the rail-road is opened to the Public for Passengers & Freight - they go to Boston, to New York - <sup>at</sup> all intermediate places - my shall, now, leave Desbivieres Station, & be landed at Bonaventure Station, in Montreal, without changing Cars - - how delightful! what a happy change for us, what an improvement, for our old people - how much Henri & I, will find it convenient, when, we go to town! - 1/2 past 4. P. M. - the cold intense, already 17 degrees.

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan - intensely cold - Fida & Theodore left this morning - Henri & Willie only arrived last at a 1/4 to 12 - 1/2. I was becoming so anxious, I was so happy when I heard the whistle of the Engine - they were detained, by the train passing later, than usual - the young ladies had a quiet day - busy working & reading, walked to church in the afternoon - in the evening, as usual,



music & singing - I found it very cold - all day -  
Jimmy continues to amuse himself - he is a dear  
clever child -

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan. intensely cold, 28 degrees this morning,  
the young ladies, passed a quiet morning - after  
luncheon <sup>they</sup> went out driving, in the great box - they  
enjoyed themselves very much - on their return  
they went off, in the Lobogon - Jimmy went also, they  
amused themselves immensely - returned so excited  
& delighted with their drive in the Lobogon - they  
had several upsets - which caused a great deal, of  
laughing, & such fun - Willie, took such pleasure  
in spinning them, as he says - a fine evening -

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan - A cloudy morning, not cold,  
only 10 degrees - Miss Sykes, Louise & Willie  
took a very early breakfast & went up, to  
the station - Caro went with them - they waited  
for the train - it only passed, at 9 a.m. -  
there were several passengers on board - we  
find the house, so quiet, so still - all  
the young gay, laughing party - silenced - for  
the moment - when Willie is absent - we  
miss him very much - he has always, something  
new to relate - Caro, walked out, alone, this  
afternoon - she misses, her pleasant companions & Penni

Miss Sykes, Louise & Willie  
accompanying them to town



went to the Station, this morning - & went out driving, again  
 this afternoon - Messrs. Levey & Gatinneau, came to take  
 luncheon - with Mr. Le Curé - they left at 2.0.0 P.M. -  
 much appearance of more snow - Caro & I sent a  
 box to Quebec, to M. S. M. Bonabette - by Express - I hope  
 it will reach, in safety - I have a head-ache - &  
 feel tired -

4 of the Annie, & the two little  
 ones - arrived -  
 Willie came from town -

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan - a lovely bright day - a clear sky  
 only 10 degrees cold - this morning at 1/4 past 10 h. 1/2  
 Annie, James & Caro went to the Station -  
 there they met, Mrs. Webb, Annie & her little children  
 & Willie all arrived - Willie came from town -  
 after luncheon Annie & James went out  
 for a drive - and <sup>the</sup> remainder of the party  
 walked out - I went to church - the  
 sound very fine - a lovely evening - how  
 delightful, to see, so many trains going backward  
 & forward - it is so advantageous for us -  
 Madam came back, this evening by the East -

Messrs. Thoreau &  
 Poulin arrived

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Jan. a cold bright morning 21<sup>st</sup> degrees -  
 a beautiful sunshine all day - after luncheon  
 Annie & James drove - Annie, Caro & Willie drove  
 to Bedford - at 1/4 past 5.0.0 P.M. - Messrs. Thoreau &  
 Poulin arrived, we were delighted to see them, they  
 left St. Hyacinthe at 1.0.0 P.M. - by the East - & reached  
 Westmount Station at 1/4 past 5.0.0 P.M. - what a pleasant mode -



Hubbs, Mr. Mylius came  
this evening

Travelling - Hubbs left this morning by the D.C. train -  
we expected him back, by the afternoon train -  
he missed his train, no doubt - a pleasant  
evening - Annie's dear little children, are very  
interesting - they are very quiet - to night at  
11 o'clock - Hubbs & Mrs Mylius arrived they had a  
break down after leaving B. Johns - they came, in  
contact, with a slight heavy laden with wood -  
captured them & broke their sleigh, they had to  
return to B. Johns, for another vehicle -

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan - a cold clear morning 18 degrees  
a great many people at church - Messrs Pontin  
Sang high mass - Messrs Moreau preached - he  
made a very nice discourse - this afternoon  
it commenced to snow, & has continued to do so  
the whole evening - the Barometre, announces  
bad weather - I have a fearful head-ache, not  
disposed to scribble -

Messrs Moreau & Pontin  
left - Mr Mylius, also -

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan - a cloudy morning not cold Messrs  
Moreau & Pontin said their mass - & took an  
early breakfast, & left by the train, at 3/4 past  
7, a.m. - Mrs Mylius left also - to day  
we commence to receive our mail - by the  
1/2 past 5, a.m. P.M. train - our Post-Master, received  
his instructions, to that effect - how convenient



Henri drove to the station this morning - this afternoon, it was damp & disagreeable - Sleety, rain & snow - Annie & Caro walked to the station at 5.0. & P.M. - I kept indoors, all day - so Henri & Jack - I hope Caro, will not cough, after this -

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Jan - a cold boisterous morning - Jack left by the morning train for St Johns - after breakfast - Henri went to Bedford with Willie - this morning, after breakfast, Annie, Caro & Willie walked on snow-shoes to the station - they enjoyed their walk very much - there is so much snow - a heavy fall - during the night - it is not to be told - all the snow - there is here - what a severe season! Yesterday afternoon - Willie, had fine sport. he got, on his snow-shoes - took his gun - & went to the woods - opposite here - he shot - a hare & a partridge! he came home, quite delighted, with his short excursion & good luck! Woods - fearfully heavy - very cold - this evening - no mail to - night - the cars, blocked up somewhere, near St Lambert - our rail-road - was going backward & forward to St Johns - not daring to impede, its going - Jack returned from St Johns by the afternoon train - not having been able, to go to Montreal - the accumulation of snow - is dreadful - Henri says, he never saw, such roads - since he lives here - while Louis continues, his visite de Parisse every day -

Henri left

no mail to - night  
the rail-road - blocked up  
in Montreal

Jack returned -



Operator for Telegraph

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan - Cloudy & mild - Annie's children are very subject to croup - little Annie, had an attack last night - she is better, this morning - Baby, had also, a slight <sup>an</sup> attack, a few evenings ago - Frank & Willie went out this morning hare hunting - they returned, saying, they had no luck - Henri, as usual, drove out, this afternoon - Caro & Annie remained indoors - I walked to church - The mail arrived late to - night - The operator for the telegraph at the distribution station - arrived this evening by the train -

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan - a cold windy morning - much snow during the night - but road - before the house - much filled - Henri went twice to the station - he feels pretty well - he has a sore eye to the a little cold - Caro has a head - ache - She has not been out, since two days - Willie & Frank took a long drive - in the township - Dr. Vingham came to pay us a visit, this afternoon - a cold cloudy evening - Mail came in early -

Annie, Frank & the Children & the Peppé left

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Jan - snow during the night - cold morning - Annie, Frank, James & the children took an early breakfast, & went up to the station - to await the arrival of the train - they went up too soon - the train only passed at 1/4 past 10, a. e. a. m. - It was due



at 1/2 past 7 o'clock - they were, detained by an accumulation  
of snow beyond the Albans - the banks of snow, every-  
where, is something fearful - as for the Grand Trunk  
trains, they are, continually snowed up, in some  
direction or other - we feel lonely this evening -  
our party is small - dear little Jimmy - not here, to  
ask me, to play loto, with him - since the early  
part of December - we have always had a full house -  
Caro went up to the station - this morning, with her  
father - to pay Annie, a visit, while they were, waiting  
for the train - after luncheon - Annie Willie went  
to Bedford - found the roads awful - so many skids!  
a very cold night - Willie walked up to the station -  
before dinner - to give him appetite, to eat, his bit of  
fish - I fancy -

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan, a lovely bright frosty day - roads  
improving - although very deep snow - before luncheon -  
Henri drove to the station - this afternoon Willie &  
Caro went out for a sleigh ride - Caro still coughs  
now & then - I walked to church at 4 o'clock. The  
Rev. Curé continued his visit to-day - a glorious  
sun set - what a beautiful clear sky - The  
mail, came in by train last evening, very late -  
the cars from Montreal, were swamped up - near  
St. Beasie -



1865

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan - a pleasant mild day, a great many people at church - Henri came to grand' messe - During Mass - Corro had to leave, she did not feel well - I had to play the organ - all the time - I prefer, when, we divide, the playing - each - our part - she did not come to vesper - she is much better this evening - after vesper - Henri & Willie drove to the grand' ligne - M. le curé went to visit the cottagers, this afternoon - a cloudy evening, indication of more snow,

Willie left this evening  
by the train - for town

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan - a beautiful bright sunny day, all day a very warm morning - still, Corro I enjoyed our walk to church - early this morning - Henri & Willie went up to the station - before breakfast - at 2.0.0 P.M. - they went to Bedford - M. le curé continued his visit to day - Willie left this evening by the train - for Montreal - he was fortunate, that train stopped, at 8.0.0 P.M. - he will have got in to town at 10.0.0 P.M. a beautiful bright moon - very cold - Henri is hoarse, he has taken a slight cold -

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan - a delightful pleasant morning, Henri drove to the station, to see M. le curé, who was there, since 7.0.0 A.M. - awaiting the train - Henri left him, & drove to Bechelle & auction - when



he returned from there, at 12 o'clock - we told him, the train  
had not yet come in - he drove back to the station,  
with a bit of hushenou, I was sending to me le Cure -  
just as he arrived - the whistle was heard - the Cure,  
took an apple & a bit of bread - & got on board  
the Cars - he will, have taken a late, lunch -  
this afternoon - it commenced to snow, again, in  
full earnest - I fear, the grand-trunk, trains, will  
be, as usual, blocked up, in some corner, or other,  
Caro walked out this afternoon, so did I -  
Pagette & Madam are busy preparing, to receive  
43 of our employees - to-morrow evening at the mill-house  
it is the annual - spread - which, I give  
them - every year - it is quite a fête for them -  
Henri went to the station - again, to see the  
train arrive - it came in at  $3\frac{1}{4}$  past 5 o'clock - P. M. -

Wednesday



1885

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February - fair & pleasant - after luncheon  
 Henri & Caro drove out - I walked to church this  
 afternoon - Willie arrived from town, by the afternoon  
 down train - it came at 4<sup>th</sup> past 5 o'clock - he has  
 returned delighted with his short trip - this  
 evening - the whole of our establishment - are  
 amusing themselves immensely - the  
 spread is large - they Congregate 45 - this  
 evening - I feel happy, to know, they are  
 delighted & enjoying themselves - old Howard  
 is the guardian - of the servants hall - a lovely  
 bright moon - the night train - passed at 8 o'clock -

Messire Brown

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb - a beautiful bright clear day - very  
 cold - 22 degrees - this morning - Henri & Willie  
 went to Bedford, returned for luncheon - Judge McEwen  
 was too ill, would not come to open the Court -  
 no business - again - this term - this afternoon,  
 Willie & Caro took a drive, they drove on Laramie  
 road - roads - well beaten, cahots & cuts, fearful -  
 impossible for sleighs to - meet - very often, accidents  
 happen - a glorious sun-set - this evening, such  
 a lovely bright moon - Messire Brown - arrived  
 on a visit to Mr Le Caré - he remains with us  
 till to-morrow - he came in time for dinner  
 he is so fond of Music! they had lots of it  
 this evening - Mr Le Caré, did not come - this  
 evening - we expected him -



Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb - very cold -  $23\frac{1}{2}$  degrees - Rufus Brown  
only left after Mr Le Cure's arrival - he came by the  
morning down-train - Henri caught, very much -  
he to the cold - this week - he often drove out, not  
sufficiently clothed - wearing, his light fur - coat  
instead, of his Beaver - he repeatedly told him,  
he would take cold; he remained indoors,  
all day - a beautiful sunshine - Mr Le Cure  
brought home - a very handsome Harmonium -  
I fancy - he will be glad - to sell it - to any one,  
who will give him a fair price for it

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb - snowing, not cold - Henri's cough  
a shade better - this afternoon, Willie & Carl  
went out for a slight drive - roads, fearful  
from the immense number of colts & cats -  
Henri very wisely, did not go out to-day -

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb - A great many people at Mass,  
although the weather is very bristrous - drifting  
snow - again in all directions - not very cold -  
the roads - are filling - what an awful severe  
winter we have! - so much, snow, so much  
drifting; it is really fearful - what is in  
store, for us this spring? God! spare us,  
from an inundation, when, all, this snow,



the most awful snow-storm,  
we have had, this winter -

When a hurricane came on

metts & disappears! the ceremony of the Feast of  
the Infance, was put off - this afternoon  
3. o. c - there were a great many children, brought  
to church - notwithstanding the, snow & drifting -  
it grew worse, during the ceremony - it became  
so violent - blowing a perfect hurricane -  
banks of snow - every where - our roads  
completely blocked up - people passing -  
with their sleighs on our platform -  
which, is also, filling fast - ah! what  
fearful weather! the most fearful, storm  
we have had, this winter - Dear little children!  
May they all get home safe - the babies will  
nestle, in their mother's arms - & be protected there!  
The feast, was a very nice one - Mr. Le Curé  
blessed all the children of the Parish - the absent  
ones - as well - he gave a very pretty discourse  
on the feast of the Day - the Chinese children  
collected - during salut - the little, Caroline Linnard  
was the Chinese girl - & little Thérèse Boy, the  
Chinese boy - they enacted, their part, very  
well - their costume, was good - Miss Sedorey  
was, to have come, the storm - prevented him -  
Mr. Le Curé, went on a sick-call - the poor  
woman - died, a few moments - after his arrival -  
(Mr. Guertin, in the stone settlement - it continued  
to blow, to snow, & drifting fearfully!

at once - such fearful  
drifting & so frightful  
roads - blocked up -  
every where -



Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. - so much snow, every where, banks of  
snow; after, so much drifting - as for our road opposite  
here - it was blocked up this morning - Luther  
had to work & trample down the snow there,  
pass his horses - at several intervals, to make a  
track - the platform, completely blocked up; - two  
men, shovelling away, to make a path - to get to church  
never have we seen, so much snow - & such  
continued boisterous weather, as we have had this  
winter; it is again snowing; what is going to become  
of us? Ann's cold - better -

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb - a cloudy gloomy day, threatening  
snow all the time - Ann's cold, still keeps  
him indoors - Caro has been busy, packing up,  
to leave in the morning by the train - I hope  
a frost, they will have favorable weather to travel -  
Caro remained indoors all day - I have a head-ache -  
Arthur arrived by the afternoon down train - we  
were agreeably surprised to see him - he leaves  
in the morning - it is snowing - to night,  
I sincerely hope, nothing will prevent, Willie & Caro  
going in the morning -

Whisper came



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Willie & Caro left for town  
thru - for the post -

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb - early this morning, it was  
very stormy, not cold - but, snowing in full  
earnest - 5 inches - fallen - at least - not drifting -  
the snow being wet & heavy, it would not drift  
~~although~~ although - it blew, pretty hard - of course,  
Willie & Caro gave up, all thoughts, of leaving, ~~the~~  
kept - saying, 'come on, it <sup>will</sup> clear up, finally' ~~the~~  
left for the station - but word, that a telegram  
just in, said - the tracks, was clear - then  
Willie & Caro, hurried, took their breakfast at  
the hotel & drove to the station - and that, took  
place - at 1/2 past 8.0.0 A.M. - they waited, till  
past 10.0.0 P.M. - before the train came by - when  
we heard, they had gone - we rejoiced - as the  
weather - is soft & pleasant - the Chicago train  
passed at 11.0.0 A.M. - that, train, proving, assured  
us - of Willie & Caro reaching Montreal in good season -  
the tracks, must have been clear - since, the  
Chicago train came from Montreal - Dear Caro  
I sincerely hope, she will have reached town  
early - & enjoyed - her little trip - I long to hear, of  
their arrival - perhaps, they will telegraph;  
it looks like rain - how much - it is needed -  
to diminish - the banks of snow! it continues  
to be very much - Mr Le Cure - is visiting the  
bridge - Ho - Hey - Henry's cold - still, keeps him indoors!



fearful drifting! banks of snow -  
driving white! awful! awful!

Willie - snowed up  
near St. Johns

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb - Oh! what fearful drifting! the snow,  
that fell, during the night - is flying about - in  
all directions - what weather! a strong wind from  
the N. W. - this morning at 8 a.m. - we received a  
Telegram - from dear Willie - saying - they had  
reached in perfect safety at 4 a.m. P.M. - only fancy!  
they were in the cars from 1/2 past 10 a.m. - to  
4 p.m. - we should have received our Telegram  
last night - withal that, I am in an awful state  
of mind - Willie says - 'I leave town, in the morning,  
good heavens! where is he? the engine, stuck,  
in some corner or other, blocked up, no doubt!  
I am so anxious - it is 1/2 past 3 a.m. P.M. - & he  
is not here - the sun is out - the sky is  
beautiful & clear - & still, it is drifting, most fearfully  
roads - all blocked up - the platform impassable  
at moments - several hands - shovelling all the  
time, still, it fills - as for the main road -  
there is none, to be seen - mountains of  
snow! what is going to become of us?  
received a Telegram this evening at 8 a.m. - from Lark  
saying, that my own dear Willie is snowed up - at  
a few miles - from St. Johns - they are going for  
him, to bring him, to sleep, at Grob's - how  
thankful, I am, to know, where, my dear son  
is, & that, he will not sleep, in the cars, where,  
he would be exposed, to take cold! the  
storm, continues to rage! it is awful - a  
clear moonlight!



Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb More drifting - It is awful; fearful!  
 no roads; a Telegram from Willie - dated St John's -  
 saying - 'all well - will leave, as soon as possible;'  
 it was 3. a. m. before he arrived - It was quite a  
 sight, to see them coming in - an immense  
 snow-plough at the head - four Engines following  
 a three passenger cars - it formed, such a line,  
 dear Willie, froze one of his ears - having had, to  
 walk - two miles, to reach, one of the Engines, to take  
 him on to St John's - at 8. a. m. P. M. - he had left  
 Montreal, on the 8. a. m. train, hoping to  
 reach - St John's in good time - when, the powder  
 became, so intense, & filling, the tracks, to that  
 degree - that, they stuck - It was, only this morning  
 that, the four Engines - of the Vermont Central,  
 got them out - dear Willie! I have every reason  
 to be thankful, that he has reached home -  
 in safety, & without feeling, any bad effects, from  
 this, very disagreeable trip - Some persons,  
 on board, the Cars - directed a bit of cake with  
 him - kept him from starving - fortunately  
 he had taken a heavy breakfast, on Thursday  
 morning, before leaving, the St Lawrence Hall -  
 the length of the snow before us, here - is not to be  
 told - the depth, is fearful - as for the platform  
 it is like walking in a tunnel; it is really  
 alarming to see, so much snow - Henry's cold  
 much better - he still, keeps indoors - the roads -  
 are awful;

It is alarming, to see so much snow!  
 It is, very late  
 to - night -



Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. intensely cold - drifting during the night -  
the sun out, bright & fair - the Mail came in  
late, last night - had a letter, from dear Caro, she  
is well - but already seen, several of her friends -  
I hope, she will enjoy her visit - I have a bad cold -  
it annoys me - the train, came in late, to night  
Iroh - arrived, I was so delighted - he came - I also  
received a letter from my own dear Caro - she  
is well - I expected Annie & Jimmy - the train  
leaving M. J. so late - Annie did not like to  
come - a very cold night - Willie was at the  
station - awaiting the arrival of the train -  
I have taken a fearful cold - I suffer from  
a ear-ache -

blue pill Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb. - intensely cold - a great many people  
at church - I was deprived of going to church  
to-day - my cold - is a shade better - Henri is  
cold, quite on the mend - he took a blue pill  
last night - after his pers. - Mr. Le Car's left for  
St. Alexandre - a beautiful sun-set - a  
lovely clear sky - very cold - Henri, Iroh, Willie  
& I, played cards this evening -

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb. - intensely cold - 30 degrees this morning -  
Iroh - left by the train - it was almost on time, this morning  
it passed at 8.00 a.m. - my cold - is better - Willie  
went to Bedford - this afternoon - a most beautiful bright



Sunshine, all day — but, so piercingly cold — kept  
all the stones, in the house, red-hot to-day —  
Therri says, he feels so much better after his blue pill —  
his cold — has quite left him — M<sup>lle</sup> Curie is visiting  
la grand' ligne — to-day — I sincerely hope — my dear  
Caro, will not expose herself, to rather cold — by going  
about, when, it is so cold —

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb — a cold bright day — 14 degrees — bearable,  
however — this afternoon the Gun came out —  
dear Caro's, birth-day! St Valentine's Day!  
dearest child! I wrote her, a long letter, this morning.  
She let down, happens, to be here, at the Anniversary  
of her birth-day — she is generally in town —  
Therri has not yet, been out — there will be a  
fortnight to-morrow — it has been so cold! &  
the roads fearful — M<sup>lle</sup> Curie, went to St George,  
returned for dinner — my cold — is on the  
mend — Willie went to Bedford — after breakfast —  
took a late, lunch, on his return — I feel  
lonely! I have not been out, since last Saturday!  
my ear-ache is much better — here, we are again,  
without our mail — at 3.0.0 P.M. — the Montreal <sup>train</sup> had not even  
left ~~the~~ why! it is supposed — the other train, is snowed-  
— up, somewhere —

No Mail to-night



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No mail to-night

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb - A most lovely bright Sunshine - 17 degrees cold this morning - after breakfast - Henri & Willie drove to the station - Henri had not been out, since a fortnight, the breathing of fresh air will do him so much good - he telegraphed Caro, this morning, to say we had no mail last night - & had written to her - Dear child! she might be anxious, if she did not hear from home! it is to be hoped, that, nothing, will prevent the Engines going through to-day! - it is so annoying, not, to receive the mail, regularly - no train left Montreal yesterday why? & none to-day - snowed up - it seems!

Mail in, to-night

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb - Fine weather - not very cold - Henri & Willie went up to the station this morning - No mail, leaving to-day - the Vermont Central, Engines & snow-plough - are busy, clearing the track for the Grand trunk - they even went as far, as Point St Charles, to open a road for them - This evening we got only a part of our mail - Fancy our papers & letters have been, mistimed, in some corner or other - They are, forever, snowed-up - I hope we may, now, expect our mails regularly - Willie went to Bedford this afternoon - Henri went back to the station - telegraphed Caro - all our letters will only come this, to-morrow morning - no letter from Caro, since last Monday! Henri is all right again - going out, as he does, agrees so well with him -



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb - Overcast, all day, a great deal of  
ice, on the trees - soft & mild to day - after  
breakfast - Henri & Willie went to the station - this  
afternoon, they drove to Bedford - the roads - passable  
enough - only, the renewals, are impossible - at  
2.0. P.M. - received a Telegram, from my own dear  
Caro - I was so happy to hear, she is well, - it  
quite renovated me, to receive the happy tidings -  
it looks like snow - may be, be spared, from any  
more snow - for a while!

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb - most lovely weather, a beautiful bright sun,  
lovely temperature, for this season - Henri & Willie  
went twice to the station - as usual - I walked, to  
church, this afternoon - Willie went out, hase shooting  
he brought; one home - a glorious snow-set -  
a beautiful clear sky - appearance of mild weather  
Henri & Willie went to the station - at 1/2 past 5, P.M.  
Willie brought me a parcel, which came by Express  
sent by Caro - it is Phéoméne's, wedding dress,  
the material is very pretty - Caro, showed her good  
taste - the dress is well chosen - collar & cuffs also -  
rounds, full of carrots - the renewals, very difficult  
to make without upsetting -



Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb. Cloudy & sleek - a great many people, at church.  
Henri went to grand'nepe - I received a letter, last night  
from dear Edw - she is quite well - & adds, believe,  
those is, to be sent for - the air, is damp, & disagreeable  
to-day - the platform, wet, the sleek making it, so  
much walking - I have written a very long letter, to my  
own dear Edw, this afternoon - Missie Desoray, came  
to dine with Mr & Mrs - he remains till to-morrow -

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb - a little snow fell this morning - weather  
windy & lonely - pleasant temperature - Henri went  
down to the falls twice - & to the station, as usual,  
at 5 a.m. - Willie drove somewhere, in the township -  
on business - Missie Desoray, left after breakfast -  
I went to grand'nepe this morning - I found it, so delightful  
to breathe fresh air - & to renew my usual routine -  
I received a letter from dear Edw - the train came on time this  
afternoon -

100 - 100 - 100  
Missie Desoray came  
by the train returned by the morning train -  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb - lonely bright weather - a cold morning, 20 degrees  
I went to Mass - this morning - found it very cold - Henri  
is well - went to the station, as usual - Willie kept somewhere  
about the township - returned late this afternoon - I have  
taken cold - I am full of pains about my back - I suffer -  
they commenced to fill the large ice house - to-day - the  
ice, only 10 inches - much trouble to get to it - so much snow!  
What a beautiful sunshine! - Missie Desoray came to  
dine with us - & returned, after dinner, by the evening train - how pleasant!



Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb - very cold morning - a sudden change, of temperature, mild & pleasant, thawing a great deal all day. Mr le grand - vicar - came to the luncheon & went on to Harbourn - I suffered very much, from cold, took a hot-bath & Morphine - Last night - I am much better, to-day - Henry & Willie went to the Station - as usual - a very mild evening - it looks like rain - a letter from dear Caro last evening - Miss le grand vicar, left a pretty medal for Caro -

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb - mild & pleasant - felt, better, got up to see about my household affairs - I had to go back - to bed - I was suffering so much - I took a Dover's powder - how much, I do suffer! - Mr le curé went to Harbourn - for the ceremony of the blessing of their new church - returned for dinner - Henry & Willie went to the Station at 5.15 - no mail - again to-night is it not too bad - They are again drowned up - finished filling the large ice house - this morning -

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb - a beautiful sunshine - very mild - I remained in bed - all day - I still feel - faint Dr Bingham came in, for his card - I was glad to see him - he pronounced - this afternoon at 4.15 past 5.15 the mail came in - we left, three letters, from my beloved Caro - & a letter, from dear Mrs Maitland - Willie has decided, on leaving this evening, by the night train - he went up, to the Station at 8.15 P.M.



only left at 10.00 P.M. - I hope & trust, he reached, in safety & comfortably - I expect a telegram from him to-morrow - a fine pleasant evening -

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb a lovely sunshine, I am a little better, got up at 11.00 A.M. - if I could, only breathe freely, I would feel better - the pain on each side of back are still acute - I hope - they are only muscular pains - Henri is well, goes out, as usual - I feel lonely, so much alone - both my own dear children, away! - Henri went up to the station at 5.00 P.M. & brought Freddy - who came on from H. Johns - by the train - I was so glad to see him - a telegram from dear Willie - only reached town - this morning at 1/2 past 10.00!

Sunday 26 Feb - raining during the night - a fine day, very much a great many people at church - I am a shade better - Fred, played the organ - this evening we played cards - retired, early - raining now & then -

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb - a most lovely sunshine, a clear day, 6 degrees cold - this morning - wind, North - several marriages, took place, this morning, among the number, my poor Philomine - she had been in our service, 10 years - may she be, as happy, as she deserves - I sent her, a beautiful, wedding cake,



ice borders - finished falling

I regretted so much, I was not well enough - to go & hear Mass for her - What a lovely day my own dear children, have, in town! - I expect a letter - this evening, Henri was out, a good deal, to-day - the snow, has gone down, very much - it melts away - a one mail - finished, the small ice broke - early this morning - Missive to Robin, came to dine with us & returned in the evening -

home in the afternoon

Willie & Carl arrived

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb - a cloudy, cold disagreeable morning threatened snow, till, it did, commence to fall, in full earnest - this afternoon - I received a telegram, from dear Willie, saying, that he & his sister, will be here, by the afternoon train - I am so anxious, fearing this unfortunate snow-fall - will prevent, their reaching St John in good season; perhaps, with the bad management, existing, on the road between St John & Montreal, there may be snowed up! I shall feel so thankful, when they arrive - Henri went to the station, this morning & returns again at 5 a.m. - to fetch, our own dear children! I shall only continue writing, on their arrival! how I long to press them, to my heart! I am much better to-day - my own dear dear children arrived at 1/2 past 5 a.m. P.M. - Henri was at the station waiting for the arrival of the train - how happy & delighted, I am, this evening!



Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March - a Wednesday - a cloudy, damp,  
disagreeable day - a wind of sleet, all morning, a  
great many people at church - I did not attend -  
I did not feel well enough - Henri feels, a malaise,  
he is not bright to day - I hope & pray, he  
will be spared from an attack of gout; God;  
grant him health - Mrs Caro is looking so  
well; her visit to Montreal has done her good -  
Mr Le Curé, left at 10.0 P.M. for Strabridge, to make  
a mission to the poor people there - I hope he  
will have a good number, to go & hear him & go  
to their Easter Duty - a disagreeable cloudy evening -  
Messire Brown arrived this evening - he is  
en route for town - he will take the train in  
the morning - Henri took a blue pill - to night

blue pill

Messire Brown & Willie left -

Thursday 2<sup>d</sup> March - a blowy, cloudy day - the  
wind south - this morning Messire Brown &  
Willie left for Montreal - the train passed late -  
Henri feels, rather better - after his blue pill -  
his liver, seems, to be sluggish - I hope he will  
valley & be well, for Novena - this afternoon,  
Mr Le Curé returned from Strabridge - Caro  
walked out - I have not breathed fresh air -  
since seven days - I practised Cantolets, with  
Caro & three lady singers - of the establishment -  
for Novena - that is, I played & they sang -  
it looks like rain - disagreeable weather,



Willie returned  
Misses Provencal & Brown  
arrived -

Willie returned by the afternoon train - found  
Caro's bag - he was only an hour in town - the  
train having been delayed en route - Misses  
Poulie & Provencal arrived - Snowing -

Rev. Pere Charpeney  
Misses Brown -

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Rain & Sleet all day - Henri  
feels a little prostrated - I hope he will soon rally -  
We le Curie & Misses Poulie went to the Station -  
with Willie - expecting, the train would arrive, at  
its usual hour - it never came in before  
1 1/2 past 10.0 P.M. - Reverend Pere Charpeney &  
Misses Brown - arrived - Misses Provencal  
left this morning - To-morrow, commences  
Novena - May we be well disposed, to profit, of this  
sanctified time - God! grant us, his grace - to be  
duly disposed, to pray - with zeal & fervour -

Good

Colchicum - last night

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March - 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Novena - fearful high,  
sleety, weather, a dreadful heavy wet snow - falling  
all the time - awful bad weather! but a great  
many people at church - Misses Brown, said the  
report of a.c. Mass - Mr le Curie & the Lady Singers, sang  
the Veni Creator at the organ - I went out, for the  
1<sup>st</sup> time since 14 days - Mr. Pere Charpeney preached  
; but no Communion Pascal, he was very graphic,  
& spoke well - Henri is better, the gouty pain, in  
his wrist & elbow, is on the mend - the Colchicum, he



Frederic Brown left

Frederic Brown

On last night proved beneficial - a deep & powerful - he intends to take more, to night - I did not return to church this afternoon - it was too much - May my dear Caro, be spared - from taking cold - I tremble for her - Miss Brown left - this afternoon - the boughs of the trees, are weighed down, with the immense quantity of wet snow! Frohisher arrived by the train this afternoon - a very boisterous evening knowing a drifting; the road filling - the M. Pere - preached, remarkably well & Sur L. J. de Namur,

Good

Blue pill & Colchicum

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March - a beautiful, lovely sunshine - but, such road; after the snow fallen during the night - & so much drifting - our platform, again, blocked up in some places - 9 degrees cold - this morning - a lovely afternoon, not cold - a great many people at church - Henri suffers, gouty pains, about the shoulder & in his wrist - he took Colchicum X last night - he had, but little sleep - he has breakfasted, in his room - since two morning, he does not feel well - a malaise, bad digestion - he speaks - of taking a blue pill & Colchicum, to night - the M. Pere - preached beautifully, both this morning & this afternoon - Sur La Religion, this morning - this afternoon, Sur L. Peches, the church - was thronged - all day - a most delightful evening, a lovely clear sky - my dear Caro - has a fearful headache - it is so hard to see her in pain -



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John left

Reverend Pere Trudeau  
arrived

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March - a cold bright morning 13 degrees  
 Thauri had no sleep - after taking <sup>last night</sup> a blue pill, a large  
 table spoonful of Colchicum - & a ~~sedative~~ this morning -  
 he felt very showy all day - only got up to get  
 his bed made - the pain about his shoulders,  
 better, his wrist, left painful - God! grant he may  
 continue to rally & soon be free from gout!  
 A great many people at Church - all day -  
 this morning, the M. Pere - preached admirably  
 but he has sent the La Penitence, this afternoon  
 I was deprived from attending Church - I remained  
 to wait on Thauri - he never moved, slept the  
 whole time - Willie passed the day at Bedford, to  
 attend the Council - ~~Indishes~~ left this morning  
 reached St Johns late - stuck in the snow - drove -  
 where on our line - Messire Skidney came  
 for dinner - he remains, to help, on the line during  
 these precious days - ~~Officiaries~~ at the Sabot  
 Comm is all right to day - The Pere Trudeau  
 arrived from St Johns, by a freight train - instead, of  
 stopping at Seaboard Station, he went on to Cambridge  
 Station, Allen's corner, & he got driven down here -  
 he is a most amiable person - a perfect musician  
 Thauri took one, of his pills & a table spoonful of  
 Colchicum to - night -



No mail to-night - snowed up -  
much drifting

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - a disagreeable bitter day, although the sun was out, lovely & bright - it drifted, a strong South wind - I fear, the drifting will prevent the train, from arriving this evening - it went down, at 1/2 past 11 a.m. - Henri is not at all well - his hand, very swollen - he feels a dreadful malaise - he is nervous - he got up at 5.0 a.m. - he felt, much annoyed with flatulence - which ended in those, awful retchings - Nellie drove to Cambridge village - found the roads - fearful, much drifting, in some places - & the roads cut up in others - no doubt there a storm at hand - This morning Mr Vere Chaspeney, preached - he made a beautiful sermon - I saw his contribution, it was Mr. Vere Trudeau - who preached this afternoon - he made a most beautiful discourse & for his Saints particularly M. L. R. - et que vous saluez tous appelés à être des saints, his tone of voice, is so good - his delivery, also very good - when I returned from church - I was sorry to find Henri - so nervous - I fear he will pass a very bad night - he is suffering, most dreadfully - he took Willa & Loda, it seems to have disagreed with him - he experiences, a cold feet - it is blowing af. fearfully - strong wind from the South - No mail to-night -



Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March - A lovely Sunshine - a cold  
wind - from the N.W. - Henri passed a fearful  
night - he took a broth at 11 a.m. - some time  
after - ~~Later~~ - he felt, so uneasy, cold, nervous,  
a heaviness about his chest - I felt anxious to  
see him in that state - after, all the cold-time  
he had mounted, in the evening - I was in hopes  
he would have been so relieved - his hand, so  
painful, much swollen - he took one of his pills  
last night - & another, this morning - he is  
a little better, this evening, he has been, very  
drowsy all day - he got up at 5 a.m. - feeling  
a malaise, all the time - I did not go to  
Mass - this morning - I remained with Henri -  
M. P. Charpentier preached, sur le devoir des Pères-  
de Mères; this afternoon - he preached, sur  
la vertu de Charité - it is not, to be told  
the immense concourse of people, that  
attended, Church - every day, & the great  
number - that go, to their Confession -  
God! be praised - for this great blessing -  
on the Parish! I hope & pray - poor Henri  
will have a good night's rest! -

not well



Colura full

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Snow during the night & rain by torrents,  
all day - What weather! notwithstanding a great many  
people attended church - Henri passed a rather  
better night - his hand is fearfully swollen, he got  
up at 2 o'clock P.M. - remained on the sofa in the  
bonheur - for his dinner he took a bite of turkey -  
a tumbler milk for his 2<sup>nd</sup> course - & drank lemon water  
this morning M. Pere Charney - preached - sur la  
Contre-essence - & this afternoon - sur l'efficacite  
de la Vierge - I was not there - Laro - said - it  
was well said & well given - Henri suffers  
to-night - his liver - is still gorged - he took  
X 1 1/2 <sup>blue</sup> pills - to-night & a deffest spoonful of colicium -  
it hurts, makes him suffer, his elbow is  
painful - the whole of his arm, makes him  
suffer - I fear, he will have a sleepless night,  
M. Pere Trudeau - played the Piano & the  
Harmonium, this evening - he plays, so  
nicely - Messire St Aubin arrived at 11 o'clock A.M.  
he does not intend - to work much -

blow a hurricane - drifting  
fearfully, briskly!

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March - Such fearful weather, rain  
by torrents, the whole morning, till near  
12 o'clock - when it commenced to blow a perfect  
hurricane, snowing, drifting, such bristling  
weather - it was something awful! Henri  
passed - a bad night, suffered, awfully! this  
morning he took a scillatix - he looks - yellow  
his liver does not yet function properly - he is



No mail - answer up!

looking haggard. - worn - God! grant him, a night's rest - he got up at 2, a.c. & he is nervous - he took but, a small bit of food - for his dinner his elbow much swollen & painful, could not bear, his flannel jacket, sleeve, obliged to rip it open - & the sleeve of his dressing gown also he is in an awful state of suffering - there is no touching his arm - so difficult to dress it - it is not to be told - how painful, the least, thing, makes him suffer - I fear, he has a bad night before him - again the platform - filled - from the powder,

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March - a lovely bright day, a cold morning the beautiful sunshine, is quite renovating - poor Harry passed a most fearful night, always, in such acute pain - very nervous, a great deal of flatulence - he took, only, one of his pills - during the night, he took bath, towards morning, Lavender drops in fact, he was, in such a state, that, he did not know, what to take, or what to do - I have not seen him, in such a state, for years - I was, really discouraged, dared not, prescribe - I felt so miserable, ah! what a long night! I thought it, would never end - he suffered so much from his swollen elbow & hand, that he was, perfectly helpless! towards morning, he became, a little more - composed - and ~~did~~ - for a few moments - he took chocolate for his breakfast - a bath at 12 a.c. - this afternoon he again, felt a little nervous - I received this



morning - May God! grant my prayer! may he shower,  
 down his blessings & give relief to my poor Henri!  
 Caro received yesterday - dear child, her prayers  
 are, so fervent - she, will be healed & obtain  
 health for her dear Father - The sermon, this  
 morning - was sur la Vierge, this afternoon,  
 also - ~~Whither~~ arrived - the train, came in later  
 than usual - one of the engines, having gone off, the  
 train - we received such a heavy mail, of  
 newspapers - we had not received a paper since  
 last Monday evening - we received no less than  
 five inches, at the same time - to night, Henri  
 is two, of his pills - he feels, nervous, still, I  
 find him a shade better, his arm left painful  
 his hand, left, swollen - may he rest, to night -

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March - Snow during the night, & a fearful  
 hurricane, such awful boisterous weather - the  
 most fearful storm, we have had this winter -  
 it is something awful! winds, blown up,  
 in all directions - the drifting is fearful - the  
 platform, completely blocked up - I went to a  
 messe - bap, on foot - I reached church - with difficulty,  
 I thought, I would be frozen, so cold - then 13<sup>th</sup> day,  
 cold - I never experienced - such weather!  
 when I returned, I thought, I had frost bitten my  
 cheeks - Henri is better, although nervous, during  
 the night - he had, a snatch of sleep, now a storm,

blowing, a fearful hurricane,  
 awfully boisterous! such whirling,  
 very cold! what a great full storm!  
 the words we had that morning -



I feel so thankful, to see him better - God! grant he  
may continue, to improve & he quite himself, soon -  
his hands & elbow on the mend - Laro walked to  
Church - with her, helped her on - she returned in  
the sleigh - the closure of the beautiful Novena  
took place - immediately after Mass - the  
weather, being so boisterous - it was almost  
impossible to expect, many would, or could return  
in the afternoon - the Le Monn, was same -  
& the Sabat, also - at 12 o. c. - the whole ceremony  
was over - how soon - these happy days of  
Grace - have gone bye! many we, perjure, in  
all the good resolutions, we took, during these  
days of Salvation - upwards of 1500 persons - went  
to their Confession & upwards of 1300 received! - how  
very edifying! I have never seen, so much zeal  
fervor & devotion - as in this Novena -

The Sun is out, still, it continues to drift,  
to blow a perfect hurricane - no doubt - the  
trains, will again be stopped - lots of music  
this afternoon & this evening - Pere, Guehan &  
Lindisher - it is very pretty - Henri got up  
at 3 a. c. P. M. - he is attacked & looks shagard!  
what a severe attack, he has had, this time!



Des Reverends Pres. left

No mail!

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March — Snow, during the night — all hands — busy  
shovelling away the snow — what an immense quantity  
of it, every where! Henri had some sleep — for a short  
time, he then experienced pains, in his knees, obliged  
to wrap them up, with wadding & oil — like — his  
elbow still swollen & painful, his hand, also, painful.  
This afternoon, he had a little scapite — this  
evening, one of his knees, pains him — much —  
he took one of his pills to — right — nothing else —  
he took a small bit — beef for his dinner —

This morning I wisher left <sup>by</sup> the early train —  
unfortunately, he could not reach, further than  
St. Alexandre — There, all the trains, stuck, snowed  
up — even, the train of Saturday evening, had not  
been able to get on further — I wisher, took a  
sleigh & drove, on to St. John — Reverend Pere  
Charpeney & Reverend Pere Trudeau — left this  
morning for St. John — Perrault drove them —  
Mepine Pontin & Willie drove to the Bay — to get  
some Nitric Acid — Mepine Pontin, has taught  
us, to silver over, any article, requiring, to be  
resilvered — he succeeds, beautifully — he did  
several things, for us in that way — Condensation  
& or — it is an easy process & at the same  
time — a very useful one — The train between  
Montreal & St. John snowed up — No mail to night —  
Nocheau — is the garde-malade to night — I  
intend to have a good night's rest —  
Chandy & disagreeable —



Messine Poulin left

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March - a little snow-fell this morning, cleared up - the sun came out lovely & bright - Henri passed a bad night again - he had no sleep - before morning - a cold & a malaise, prevented him from taking any rest - this afternoon he is better - he got up at 3.0. & P.M. - & came downstairs - he had not done so, since last Friday - he is much pulled down - I hope & pray, he may soon rally - This morning, Messine Poulin & Mlle Caré left for the Hyacinthe, they drove there - Willie & Luro took a long drive this afternoon - they had a break down - laughed & enjoyed it, immensely - the mail did arrive last night, after all - it came in, late - I feel so happy to see Henri, better - I am thankful, for it - from my heart -

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March - much rain during the night - & again, all day - very much, the snow - disappearing fast - very much - poor Henri had a bad night, he took a  $\frac{1}{4}$  gr pill of Morphine - it did not give him the sleep & rest we expected - he was suffering, very much, at the early part of the night - his hand was painful - his elbow & hand - it was only this morning, & the greatest part of the day that he felt quite quiet & drowsy - having the <sup>secondary</sup> effect, only, of the Morphine - his thirst, all day, is not to be told - he drank - such a quantity of cold water;



as cold, as he could get it, from the Spring - This evening, he is suffering, discouraged, feels nervous - only took, a little milk & soda - he took a deepest spiritual of Colchicum - God; grant he may, have a good night's rest - Madame sleeps in his room - I am tired - I have a pain in my back -

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March - a dense fog - this morning - very mild - warm, even - Henri passed a fearful bad night - this morning, he feels better - this forenoon sat up in his arm chair, cannot stir or move alone obliged - to help him to get up - to move his gouty limbs for him - he is so helpless; he suffers from his brand arm - his knee a shade better - Willie, left by the train this morning for Montreal - the train passed late - 1/2 past 10 o'clock - we expect him back, this evening - a lovely Sunshine - so warm out - Carl walked out - I wrote a very long letter, to-day, to my dear friend Mrs Campbell - I have a head-ache - Willie came home by the afternoon - down train -

The River to-day has been something extraordinary - the water has risen very high - God; spare us from any accident - Henri is looking so haggard & feeble, to night - I fear, he has a bad night before him - Mrs Le Crie's returned from St Hyacinthe - this afternoon, he came by the train -

Willie went to town  
& returned



the water continues to rise to night - a fearful degree - a strong flood wind - has risen to a fearful height - some part of the rail - road - a small river bridge - much damaged - all intercourse stopped - in this direction - Paper mill - going by - won't go - our road - fine - as far as it goes, all night - this far - the ice - of course - never has gone down - jammed - at the bridge - fear - entertained - for the bridge across the river - being carried away by the ice - it is - fearful - to see it!

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March -

Hein passed a fearful night - suffered, all the time, had, no sleep - a constant thirst for ice water - he drank, any amount of it - I was almost alarmed - to see him

drink so much of it - he took a large spoonful of Whiskey - he did not seem to think it had done him any good - he has been very feverish since several days - what <sup>would</sup> I give, to have medical advice; he refuses, my sending - for a doctor - I am very anxious, & feel very unhappy about it - this has been, the most severe attack of gout, he has had - for years! God! grant, he may soon rally! I feel very miserable - he is very helpless - impossible for him, to move alone, in his bed - his arm, wrist, hand & knee, are still, much swollen & so painful; his knee, he cannot move - without pain - we carry his leg, from one part of the bed to the other - as he tried, to draw himself on - ah! what suffering! it snowed all day - melted, as it fell - the water continues to rise, to a fearful height - the lower garden, is already inundated; there is no more communication, with the people, of the establishment - on the other side of the river - impossible to pass - over the bridges - the height of the water between, the two bridges - makes it, impossible, to go over -



Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March - it is fearful, to see the height of  
 the water; the water, has reached the inside of the  
 Ball alley - in the field & lower garden - it is a  
 perfect lake - it quite reminds us of the, dreadful  
 inundation - of three years ago! God! spare us -  
 Henri had again a bad night, no sleep - a great deal  
 of acidity - drinking such a quantity of liquids -  
 toasted water - lemon, ice water - I have never seen  
 him, so thirsty - he took no dinner - last night -  
 nothing but, a little gruel, made, with milk - to-day  
 no broth, gruel a couple times - he continues to be feeble.  
 I wish, he would consent, to my sending, for medical  
 advice! I am very anxious - I do my best - to attend  
 him - but, still, if, I had some one, to direct me -  
 particularly about his pulse, his diet & many other things,  
 I could be told - he is always, very helpless -  
 cannot stir, or move his right leg & arm - his  
 hands & elbow, not, mending fast - to-day, he complains  
 of a pain in his hip - he is looking, very  
 altered - haggard, worn! I am in such a state  
 of anxiety! - God! grant him a good night's rest, &  
 may his guilty thoughts - cease, making him suffer! - I  
 wish, so much, to see him, in constant pain! it upsets  
 me, I feel so wretched! Nadene - slept in my  
 room to night - I am done up - so tired - a little  
 rest, will make me, all right again - there are  
 immense - pieces of ice, in the lower garden - the ice  
 below the dam came down this afternoon - it was fearful, to  
 see it go by - it has jammed, not far from here - great



the ice house surrounded by water -  
the lower garden inundated - the 3rd garage

Hon. Moore - came from Dubuque -  
could not go further, than this place -

Not mail -

severe apprehension, about the rail-road bridge - across  
the river here; no doubt - if that, immense jam  
goes & hits it - it must go; what a loss - on the  
other side of line, they have a great deal to contend  
with, the bridge over the river inundated some  
miles of the road - the tracks risen & overflowed -  
in fact, several disasters, have happened to the  
road - I hope - the bridge here, will be spared! - Willie has  
been out, all day, watching, in all directions - having  
booms put down - & doing all the useful - in a time  
of such dense anxiety, as this - thus far - we all  
hope, nothing, will happen to our mills - nor to  
the bridge - going over to the mill - the  
height of the water not to be told! it is frightful!  
the ice over the dam - is still, thick & strong!  
God! spare us - from any disasters! 'Ah! mon Dieu! myse -  
pitie de nous! bonne mere de Dieu, protegez nous!  
my poor Henri; he acted a few moments, this afternoon,  
at odd him, some good! I feel anxious! Caro  
walked out this afternoon - it being the eve of  
Mr le Cure's fete - both Willie & Caro presented him,  
with some books - & Willie, made him a short address - on  
the occasion - of his fete - I do feel so low spirited,  
so triste! Henri is ill, since the 1<sup>st</sup> March - at least, he  
commenced, to complain, then, of being out of sorts -  
Hon. Moore, arrived here, (at the station) expecting to get home, by  
the train, when, he found - they could not get over the bridge, but  
took his carpet bag, & came to us, to ask - hospitality - till to-morrow.  
We of course, were happy, to offer it to him -



Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March - A fine bright day, a lovely sunshine -  
 Many more men at Elms, than women - the state of  
 the roads, is fearful - inundated, in all directions -  
 Henri passed a very bad night, he had a Spasmodic  
 hicough, which was most painful & fearful, to witness, he  
 commenced, to hicough, yesterday in the evening, &  
 continues so, with increasing, force & spasms, I am  
 very anxious, & much alarmed - immediately after  
 luncheon, Willie, went for Dr. Wingham - it was  
 near 6.0. & P.M. - when they arrived - the roads, cut  
 up in all directions, fearful chasms, to pass over.  
 When the Dr. saw Henri, he gave antispasmodic  
 medicines, of every kind - ether & brandy, Cordone  
 in fact, all, he could think of to ease, & stop,  
 that lie; nothing availed - in the evening,  
 late - he gave him 2 or 3 fargons with Camphor -  
 repeated, these, aromatics - still, thus far, nothing  
 stops it - his gastric pains, are not felt, for the  
 moment - at one time, I was afraid of its being  
 retrocedent gout - the Dr. assures not - it is an  
 irritation or inflammation of the diaphragm - how  
 painful, to hear him, & see him, hicough, like  
 that; it affects me - I am so anxious - I feel miserable  
 the Dr. remains with us some days - the roads  
 are so bad - impossible for him to go backward & forward -  
 the trains are stopped, going over, the bridge here - it has  
 been damaged - by the ice - however, we expect, arrange-  
 -ments - to be made, to have our mail, brought here, every  
 day, by a train from St. John's - it seems, the height, of



in the States - in several places - is not to be told - bridges  
destroyed, parts of the tracks, under water - in fact, a  
great amount, of damage, caused, by the immense  
height of the water - the inundation, in a great  
many places - is frightful: I fear my poor Terri  
has a bad night before, he continues, to have those  
fearful spasms, more & more - he gets no rest - I am  
going to sit up with him - next to his bed - watch  
all his movements - & call up, the Dr if necessary -  
I am so glad, to have the Dr in the house! It is  
such a relief to me! Hon. Moore - left this morning  
Gasmain drove him, home -

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March - splendid spring weather temperature;  
what an awful night, my poor Terri gasped! It is dreadful  
to hear him & painful to look at him, he is so distressed,  
by that constant, disagreeable spasm, it drives me mad -  
I am so anxious - I look upon him, as being very ill,  
although, Dr. Bingham, assures me, there is nothing danger-  
ous for the moment, & that, he does not <sup>over</sup> apprehend,  
any bad results - & that, it is not gout, in the stomach! -  
his pulse, has always, remained good - a strong soft pulse -  
his tongue, not furred - but, whilst, he keeps, his, his, all  
the time (he got up, on his chair, (that is we carried him,  
to it,) whilst he was there, he got a fearful spasm, he  
could not, catch, his breath, he felt, as if, he were, going



stroke, I never, was so frightened, in my life - it was instant - he  
recovered immediately, black, looked, so pale, so altered, so distressed;  
I was happy, when he, put him back, to his bed - he recovered  
his look & colour - I was so alarmed - I called out, for the  
Dr in all haste - he said, it was painful, but only a <sup>very</sup> ~~very~~  
nervous contraction - no matter, what it was - it was something  
fearful to witness - may he never, have a return, of a spasm  
like that, one; he seems, to be a little easier this morning -  
it is not to be told, the horrible black stuff, he vomited  
to-day - it was as black as ink - he did not digest  
his coffee this morning - & a bottle the Dr made him take  
seems, to lie, heavy on his chest - he took lettuce to-day;  
also, a little milk with lime water - his thirst,  
has not been so great, to-day, as it has been, since  
some days - it is extraordinary the quantity of liquid,  
Henri, has drank - since last Friday - boiled water,  
ice water, soda - in fact, all, he could get - the  
Dr gave him, immediately, after that, violent spasm  
stroke, mentioned,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoonful of Ammonia, in a little gin  
& red water - he again, gave him  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoonful Ammonia  
this evening, in a wineglass & a half of milk - Madeau  
sits up - to-night - Dear God, came, by the train, at 6.0 P.M.  
to see Henri, he slept & leaves in the morning - we had  
our mail to-night - the bridge, partly safe - the large  
jam of ice, gone - the bridge, a little one sided -  
the train, however passed over it - I fear, it is not,  
very safe - I have, a fearful, head-ache;  
God! grant, my poor Henri, may sleep, to-night; we  
all feel, so sad, & anxious if, he is not better, to-morrow  
we shall, call in, an other Doctor - for our own

all our mail to-night - the bridge, repaired in part,

God came -



The Nightingale was heard

peace of mind! the water has gone down, a great deal - the ice, over the harbour, is still strong - may it move off - without causing any mischief - the Nightingale, was chirping, so prettily this morning - Henri's pulse continues good!

Lives - Colonel, blue pills  
At the 10th by the train at 4 p.m. in -  
the station the blue pills came

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March - A lovely Spring Day - a warm sun - the snow - is disappearing very fast - the fields quite bare - Henri is a little better, to-day - he had a few moments of sleep during the night - <sup>at 8.0. & 1.30 p.m. - took 2 blue pills</sup> - the Dr. came up, to see him, twice, during the night - at midnight - he made him take 5 grains Colomet with 8 grs of Soda - he is of opinion, that he has a congestion, of the liver - which, causes all this bad work - he seemed, this morning, to lie rough less - This A.M. it seems to me, he is again, much troubled - it pains me, to hear him - he took, ~~tea~~ this morning, instead of his cup of coffee - no meat, no broth - as yet - I fear, he will be laid up, on his sick bed - for sometime - his foot, is very gouty - wrapped it up - in wadding & oil with his hand is still, painful, his knee also - what a mortals! I feel thankful, to see him, this, better - although there is, much & ample room - for a great deal more of improvement - after luncheon, Caro walked - to the Mill, with the Dr. & Billie - what lovely warm weather! I feel a little tired, this evening - still, I remain, with my poor Henri, this night - to attend him - I prefer it - I feel less anxious - I only wish, this lie rough, would cease!



the ice over the dam - gone Willie, went for Dr. Nelson & returned with him by the train - Down - river view - to a beautiful aspect

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - what a fearful night, my poor Hanni  
 passed; his weakness continued; his, extreme great thirst  
 was unquenchable - at midnight, the Dr. came up - and  
 ordered, ice, to be given to him, in small bits - poor Hanni;  
 he found, the ice, so delicious, at every moment, he  
 would ask for a bit - he took, 4 bowls of bits of ice -  
 as soon, as a bit, had melted, in his mouth - he would  
 ask for another - he was nervous - finally, he decided  
 upon sending, Willie for Dr. Nelson - Dr. Brigham, had  
 told him, in the night, to do so, if, he wished it -  
 although, he was, certain his, treatment, was, the  
 right one - I was so pleased, when Hanni, told me  
 to call up Willie & tell him, to go to town - towards  
 the afternoon, Hanni, felt a little better, less lincoughing,  
 & benefited, by the blue pills & Calomel - he got shaved;  
 & made himself a little more comfortable - the tea, he took  
 in the morning, did not agree - he continued, to take  
 ice, at every instant - he is expecting Dr. Nelson,  
 Willie left this morning by the train - I felt so  
 tired & worn, after sitting up & watching, that the  
 Dr. sent me, to lie down - the rest a little sleep,  
 did me, much good - I feel refreshed & ready, to  
 nurse my poor Hanni - I shall, now, await Dr. N's  
 arrival - it has been pouring rain, all day -  
 the height of the water, not to be told - this  
 afternoon, the ice over dam, came down -  
 of course, caused, the river, to rise still more -  
 at 6 o'clock P.M. - Dr. Nelson arrived with Willie - we were  
 so glad to see him - he entirely, approves, of Dr. Brigham's



treatment - it is very satisfactory to us all - he tells us,  
that Henri, has, no symptoms, to cause us, anxiety -  
he says, it is a complication - of Gout, affection of the  
Liver & a spasmodic contraction of the diaphragm -  
as for the hiccough, having lasted, since last Saturday;  
is quite a puzzle, to him - & why, he should, have  
such an obstinate hiccough, with, a good pulse, a clear,  
& no bad symptoms - seem - to both Drs an extraordinary  
thing - however, Dr Nelson, says, the Gout, is the  
ground work - of all this mischief - God! grant, my  
poor Henri, will soon get over, this very severe, trying  
malady - he has, the Gout in the foot, this evening -  
his knee & hand is not yet free from Gout - he cannot  
turn alone, in his bed - not even, above his leg, we  
move it, for him - two men, carry him, to - to  
his chair - this evening, he took a pill, (blue pill  
& hyoscyamus combined, he has taken 2 steeped spoonfuls  
of broth, every  $\frac{1}{4}$  <sup>or</sup> hour - he also took, 2 spoonfuls of  
weak brandy & water - all this, seems, to do him good -  
his thirst - is very great - ice, ice, all the time -  
he continues to hiccough, not, as often, still, enough, to  
fatigue & annoy him - Va Henne, sits up to - night  
with Chemence - I - shall retire at 10.0.0 - & be  
rested & fresh - to sit up - to - morrow night -  
the Dr allowed Henri lemonade, it does not, seem  
to agree with him - I hope, he will have, some  
sleep, to - night -



Dr. Nelson left - Willie gone to town.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - rain & sleep, most disagreeable, windy, cold, weather - Henri (slept), a somewhat better night, that is, he was quieter, not much sleep - the hicough less troublesome - the great thirst, took a bit, abated - took ever so many bits of ice, during the night, Madame, told the Dr - it was not to be told, the quantity he took - both Dr's say, to take ice, moderately, now & then, to that prescription, Henri, will not yield! the hicough, this morning, was as bad as ever - & has continued, so, all day, he tried to take whole taster, that would not do - Roselle Latt, either finally, he takes his bits of ice, as often, as ever - Lemonade - won't do - he drinks, three small tea-cups - of tea, to day - one, in the morning, another at 12 o'clock & again, a cup at 4 o'clock - the tea, like that, in small quantities, seems, to lay very well, on his poor irritated stomach - he has not eaten, a morsel of bread to day - a couple spoonfuls, of broth, three times, since last night - Dr. Nelson left, this morning, Willie went back with him - having a small list, to make - they left by the 7 a.m. train - the river has risen to a frightful height - the whole of the lower garden is, again, inundated - my pretty rustic gate - & arch was, washed away - I regretted it - it was so pretty - it has been snowing all day - a high wind - Henri's hicough, seems, to increase, this afternoon - it makes me feel, anxious, it upsets me, it distresses him, so! - I am certain, and



and convinced, he takes too much ice - I cannot keep  
 him from it - Ah! what a sad accident, has just  
 happened, four men, were working, on the rail way  
 bridge here, when a hand-car came on, in full  
 speed, never stopped, one man, grasped at something a  
 hold on, another, in attempting to do as much, had his  
 hand smothered, by the hand-car grasping over it - ~~another~~  
 jumped, on the hand-car - and our poor spendthrift,  
 could not grasp at any thing (having, some of his  
 fingers cut off, years ago), could not save himself,  
 fell, in the river, & was drowned; he leaves  
 a large family, wife & several children; in the  
 greatest poverty; They cannot find, his corpse -  
 the current so strong, & the immense height  
 of the water - how dreadful! poor woman;  
 poor fatherless children! I was so shocked, when  
 I heard of the dreadful accident - how  
 much Willie, will be shocked, when he hears  
 of this sad catastrophe, on his return home  
 to-night! the engine, cannot cross over, the  
 bridge - some part of it - is broken - we  
 hear, from all parts, awful disasters, caused by  
 the fearful freshets; all communications, with  
 Bedford, & else where, cut away - it is awful;  
 fearful! would to heavens, that, disagreeable - his cough  
 of Henry's would cease! it makes me nervous -  
 to hear him - Willie returned, by the 6 o'clock train -  
 Henry took  $\frac{1}{2}$  a tea spoonful of English Phlegm, to night,  
 also a pill - he continues to take ice, the Dr says as much  
 as he likes of it - he is certain, it cannot, harm, him -

1-13 - Spendthrift is drowned

Willie returned from home -

English Phlegm



Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March - a little frost, last night, the river, has gone  
down, very much - the lower garden - is quite dry again - how  
sudden - it was a lake, yesterday! Menni had a bad night,  
he was very restless, took such an immense quantity of ice!  
his thirst, was so great! The Dr. said, to give him, as  
much as he chose, to have - he took 2 Spoonful of broth  
at midnight & again, the same quantity, at 4 a.m. he -  
I sat up, with Laurie - at every instant, he had a  
desire, to change, his position, in bed - he had the  
hicough, a part of the night, particularly, when he  
lied, on his back - towards morning, he had, a  
few moments sleep - this morning he took a small  
teacup, of tea - at 7 a.m. - nothing to eat, with it - at  
11 a.m. he the Dr. gave him, again, for a teaspoonful of Chlorine,  
this afternoon, he is, certainly better, the hicough, quite  
on the decline, oh, how thankful, I am for it - he  
is getting, tired, of his ice - his胃, makes him  
feel, uneasy - at 5 a.m. P.M. he felt the secondary effect of the  
Chlorine, caused vomiting, took both carminative - to encourage  
the efforts at eating - after he felt, a little relieved, the Dr. gave  
him a bottle soda water, an hour after, 2 Spoonful of broth  
at 9 a.m. he felt, quite, & went to sleep - he remained quiet,  
a sleep, of and on, till mid - night - Nadan - sits up - all the  
time to night - she is not well - cough, a great deal -  
Carr's complaints of a pain, in her chest, it comes from  
weakness -

Licough on the decline -

No heat -  
the hicough off the top -



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liver enough ceased!

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March - a cloudy disagreeable day - Henri  
passed a better night, than, he has yet, had, since, some  
time, the liverough, seems, to have, left him, entirely -  
how thankful, I am for it; may it not return -  
he took a little broth at midnight, & again, the same  
quantity, at 3 o'clock - (2 spoonfuls) at 7<sup>1/2</sup> just 7 o'clock -  
a bottle Soda, at 7<sup>1/2</sup> just 8 o'clock - a large cup of tea, with  
crackers - at 10 o'clock - he took a bottle Seltzer, which  
did not sit, on his stomach, as well, as usual - It is  
not Dr. Hume's Seltzer, this is, 'Wopert's, a very inferior  
quality, not to be compared, with the other, Dr. Bingham  
Drumhorne, he says, it is like bad - I regret, Henri  
took, this bad Seltzer, it makes him, feel, very  
uncomfortable, cannot digest it - it has, quite  
upset him - what a pity! he was doing so  
well - notwithstanding, he is very much better, he  
cannot yet, move his limbs, still, he is better -  
Bauer, lifts him, out & in, of his bed, comfortably -  
what reason, have we not, all, of us to be thankful  
to Almighty God, to have given, my poor Henri, some  
relief, a return to quietness - he lies quiet, & gets  
snatches of sleep - now & then - a great many people  
at church - he is not well - the water, has  
gone down, very much, it continues, to lower, all the  
things - they have, not yet, found, poor fourcroy,  
& corps - I feel nervous, the Dr. says, he must leave  
us, for a couple days, some of his patients, are asking  
for him - once, he goes, I will feel, so anxious, so will  
Henri - I will sit up, to night - God! grant, Henri, may



Yoko & Appoline arrived

continue to rally! I will not feel, so safe, when the Dr is away!  
I must arm myself, with courage - & pray more & more, that  
Henri may continue better - his gouty hand, is much  
swollen. - he took a little broth at 1.0. & P. M. - how much  
I regret, the Dr, must leave! he says, he will return on  
Monday - I hope & pray, Henri will continue to be on the  
mend! Frederick & Appoline & Henri, arrived this evening by the  
train -

no more sleeping - every one, go in baggage -  
Wednesday I good  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March - a pleasant day, rather cold - a great  
many people at church - the Dr had the kindness, to return  
early, this morning, so that, I might go to Mass - he  
left, again, immediately on my return from church -  
Henri was restless, last night - he coughed, felt incom-  
fortable - he went back to his ice - to the soda water  
twice - he only slept, towards morning - he took chocolat  
& crackers, for his breakfast - his foot & hand are painful -  
he says, he feels, he wants, more blue pill, his liver  
is not yet right - Caro coughs, it makes me anxious,  
when I hear her - Henri is to take no medicine  
to - night - he is improving, but slowly - God! grant  
he may soon, regain health - he is tired, worn,  
of being, so long confined to his bed - Mary, is  
the one, who lifts him up, from his bed, with  
more ease - poor Henri! he is looking, altered,  
haggard; I went to bed, this afternoon, for a  
couple hours - it rested me - I am all right, this  
evening - Clemence, sits up to - night - may my  
poor Henri, have some sleep, to - night, he took a

rested from  
the hot beds -



a broth at 1/2 past 9 o. c. P. M. - & a bottle soda water, shortly after - it was past ten - when I left him -

Hable left this morning by the train -

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March - a disagreeable cloudy, damp day -  
As usual, my poor Henri, had no sleep, before  
4 o. c. A. M. - he was restless, coughed, a great deal - no doubt  
this cough, comes from his liver - he took Chocolate,  
crackers for his breakfast - Dr Bingham, arrived, for  
breakfast, he remains with us till to-morrow - Henri  
feels very gouty - both his feet, are wrapped up - in  
wadding & oil - like - his knees are painful - he does not  
feel, as easy, as yesterday at 1/2 past 10 o. c. P. M. - he took a  
blue pill - He took Curie's last evening, took pills - the  
doc prescribed, a little antimony for him this afternoon -  
he coughs a great deal - Hable left this morning -  
Henri has a gouty cough - which fatigues him  
very much - he coughs incessantly - he drinks, a  
great deal of eau sucrée - & ice water - he looks  
a little, very unwell - I fear, he will no sleep,  
from, this constant coughing - it is quite distressing  
to hear him - at 6 o. c. P. M. - he took a few spoonfuls  
of broth, & a drop, of brandy & water - at first, he said,  
he thought, it had irritated, his cough - a few moments  
after, he experienced, a pleasant warm feel - & a slight  
perspiration - however, he commenced to cough at  
10 o. c. P. M. & never ceased till 1 o. c. in the morning;  
Vadeau - was up with him -



This day 28<sup>th</sup> March - a nice pleasant day, the sun out,  
 warm & delightful - as I anticipated, Henri had no sleep  
 before 4 a.m. - kept coughing, coughing all the time -  
 through any amount of cane-sure - it was only towards  
 morning, that, his cough, became less violent, & then  
 he could, now & then, have a snatch of sleep -  
 This morning at 1/2 past 8, o.c., he took a cup of tea  
 & a little bit of toast - at 1/2 past 11 o.c. a.m. - he took a  
 few spoonful of broth & fancied, a wine-glass, of Champagne -  
 after having taken it - for a while, he said, he did  
 not think, it had done him any good - I fear, this  
 gouty cough, will again trouble him, very much  
 this evening - as nothing, seems, to allay, the cough -  
 I sit up to - night - This forenoon Henri fancied  
 a wine glass full of Champagne, would do him good - he  
 took his broth, a few minutes after, the Dr. said  
 he might have, his Champagne - he took it - & he  
 commenced to cough, incessantly for a long time -  
 It proved, how much the Champagne, had irritated  
 him - of course, no more of that stuff, for some  
 time - The Dr. left by the train, this evening, on  
 leaving, he said, Henri was to keep on broth,  
jelly, paste, ice water & cane-sure - to take  
one, of his, gout pills, to - night - I wrote to  
 Mrs. Maistland & to Mr. Currier to - Henry - a glorious  
 sun set - God! spare my poor Henri, from  
 coughing, may he rest a few hours; how distressing  
 to hear him cough, so incessantly - Caro & Appoline  
 walked out this afternoon - Caro, coughs, it upsets me!  
 Henry arrived by the train, in time for dinner - he

gouty cough

Champagne - did not agree -

Dr. left by the train - Henry came by the train -



buried, a baby of their's, this afternoon, it was 5 months old  
was the cure's & Annie's god-child - Henry was anxious to  
come up, to see Henry - he came, as soon, as he  
could -

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March - lovely spring weather - Carr, Appoline  
& William, all went to grand' Nephew, this morning, in honour  
of St Joseph - a Mass, of thanksgiving - Henry coughed  
a great deal, incessantly, till 4 o'clock P.M. - when he became  
quieter, & commenced to have some sleep - it was,  
dreadful to hear him cough, so constantly, & that, kind  
of harsh, wiry cough - nothing so fatiguing to him -  
Now Henry, he was fairly tired out - I felt so thoughtful,  
when I saw him, have a little rest - he took, his gout  
pill at 8 o'clock P.M. - last night, it did not seem, to have any effect,  
upon <sup>him</sup> - as he continued, to cough incessantly - but, no doubt,  
the pill, has done him good - he is much better,  
to-day, takes broth, every two-hours - he made  
himself comfortable, changed his flannels - got shaved, he  
felt, so refreshed, after all this - this afternoon, he  
commenced to cough again - & continued to do so, frequently,  
he drinks, cam - sure, ice - eats jubile paste, - God! spare  
him, from coughing all night, as he has done, since  
three nights - it fatigues him, wears him - he has  
become very thin - to-night he will take, a gout pill  
again - the Arch gates, that were, headed away, by the  
high waters - was found, stuck, on Robert's, Arm -



the water, being let off, to try, & find poor fourdunois corpse,  
our men, went for it — fourdunois's wife — I fear, they  
will never find it, it must have gone over, the claut  
& in the Bay — it is astonishing, how soon, the snow,  
has disappeared — there is, a little of it, remaining  
opposite here — on account, of the immense accumulation  
of this winter, else where — there is no more, to  
be seen — the fields & garden — like in summer —  
green's hot-beds, are getting on nicely — I do not  
feel, at all fatigued, after sitting up — Cora & Appoline went  
out, for a walk this afternoon —

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March — Rain during the night, & rain again  
this morning, it did not last, cleared up, warm & bright,  
a lovely sunshine, quite spring weather — how thankful  
I am, Henry is better, although, he did not sleep, before  
3.0. & a.m. — he was quiet, & not disturbed often, by  
the cough, he slept, remarkably well, after 3.0. & — it did  
him so much good — During the night, he asked for  
a little milk, he says, he felt, it did him good, & stopped  
his coughing — the cough, independent, of its not being so frequent,  
was not near, so harsh & painful, — when I came to see  
him this morning at 1/2 past 5 a.m. — I found him, so much  
better, Clemence, then give me, a full account, of, how  
he had spent the night — I sent her, to bed — & took my  
usual chair — to watch, & be ready to attend — the  
Dr. came this morning, by the train, remained, with

milk

Dr. Bingham



us, till just 10.0, A.M. & returned by the train - he found  
Henri much better, told him, to take another bread at  
12.0 - if he wished it - & broth, when, he would feel the  
want of it - he is taking a good pill to-night - God! he  
praised, for this great improvement, may it continue  
is my fervent prayer; - Carlos & Appoline walked out  
this afternoon - most charming temperature - Madame  
sits up to night - Clemence, goes home, for a couple days -  
& returns here, again -

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Pleasant Spring weather, Henri  
slept from 9.0 A.M. to 11.0 A.M. - he then wrote, & commenced  
coughing, till 3.0 A.M. - he was tired out - he went to  
sleep & reposed nicely, till 1/2 past 6.0 A.M. - at 1/2 past  
8.0 A.M. he took a cup of coffee & toast - Madame, says  
he brought, a jug of milk - during the night, at 2.0 A.M.  
he took a broth - he is, certainly better, to-day, has not  
coughed, much - in fact, so little, as not, to notice it -  
he took a broth this afternoon, after having, taken a  
cup of bread & milk at 12.0 - this evening, he intends  
to remain, without taking a pill - God! grant, he may  
sleep & rest, throughout the night! - this afternoon, I  
received a telegram from Miss Lymes, saying, she  
was leaving, this afternoon, for New York - I regret  
she passes by Rouse's Point, the route here, is  
still, impeded, by the high waters - as the bridge  
of Rock river - our train, does not go further, than



At Armand's station — what a pity — Caro regrets it, very much —  
On le lui must on a like call, this afternoon, immediately after  
la Vierge — of 4 o'clock P. M. — the sky is overcast — it threatens  
rain — My poor Henri; how I do long to see him,  
out, of his bed — sitting up, at least, for a few hours —  
he has now been, bedridden, since the 15<sup>th</sup> inst — he is looking  
thin & hagard — May he soon rally; his gouty limbs, keep  
him back — he has no legs to stand up, his hand, is  
still swollen & painful, when he attempts to use it —  
were it, not for the gouty pains — he could get up,  
& sit, in his arm chair — his feet & knives & hand  
are, always wrapped up with wadding & generally with  
oil — still —

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April — rather damp & disagreeable this morning,  
Henri passed a better night, than, he has done, since  
a long time, he coughed, now & then, & slept, in the  
intervals, as much, as  $\frac{1}{2}$  an hour at a time — at 3 o'clock P. M.  
he slept a full hour — he took a bottle at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 11 o'clock P. M. —  
a draught linseed tea, & a little milk, during the night —  
this morning he took, to eat & coffee for his breakfast —  
Dr Bingham came by the morning train found Henri  
progressing, nicely, slow & sure — he returned, by the  
10 o'clock train — his visit, was a short one — he is  
not to return, unless, we telegraph him, to come — Henri  
is to go on taking milk & broth — solid food, when,  
he feels, inclined for it — his gouty limbs, are not, so



swollen as they were - his feet are better. he got the  
oil-silk a wadding removed & put on, Chaffette's, instead -  
his knee & hand, are the most obstinate, they are yet  
wrapped up, in wadding & oil-silk - after saying, he  
would not, take a pill for the gout, last evening,  
he thought, better, & took one at 1/2 past 8.0.0 P.M.  
this evening at 10.0 he took a cup of broth with crackers -  
~~He~~ Clarence sits up to-night - I hope he will  
have a good night's rest - his cough, has in a  
great measure, left him - I am going to bed,  
although, it is only, 10.0. - I feel tired, & want  
rest -

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Very windy, rather coolish, a  
bright sun - a great many people at Mass -  
I did not attend - I went to visit Julia  
was quite - malade - with Clarence - Herri had  
no sleep, last night, I fancy, he drank too much  
milk, it weighed on his stomach, although he  
says not - I can see, by the quantity, he took during  
the night, it was too much - he took a broth, at  
1.0.0 & found, it was the broth, he also drank  
linseed tea - he coughed - more, from bad digestion  
than, his usual cough - at 6.0.0 A.M. - I gave  
him a cup of tea, it did him good - removed  
that, cold feet, he had about him - he took  
tea & toast, for his breakfast, at 1/2 past 8.0.0 - &  
remained, till 1/2 past 12.00, without taking a thing -



he felt, better, I then gave him a bit of roast fowl with  
a little bread & a tumbler of Seltzer water - he took that  
with taste - felt so comfortable, after, his small meal -  
when I returned from his part - he was sleeping - & had  
slept for a while - he got shaved - & said, he felt,  
much better - upon the whole - no thirst - inconv-  
-enience - not obliged, to be taking, so one liquid, or  
other, at every instant - his gouty pains - are  
quite, on the decline - I hope & trust - in a few  
days, he will be, almost, quite himself again -  
God! grant it - the ground, is quite slack, in many  
places, to receive the plough, as well as the spade -  
Nadarr, sits up - to night - I have a head ache -

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - A most lovely bright day, Henri  
passed a better night - had some sleep, now & then,  
was very quiet - he got up at 1/2 past 11. a.m.  
& sat on the sofa, next to my bed, he got there,  
with some difficulty, his knees being weak &  
painful - he drank a glass of the Ray &  
lounge - took a bit of roast fowl for his dinner,  
a little bit of potatoes he fancied, a little  
Champagne, immediately after, took his bottle  
Seltzer - he then said, the Champagne, had  
not, done him any good - he condemned it -  
the whole, afternoon, grumbled, about, the  
Champagne - finally, he felt better - at 6. o'clock

Henri got up - & sat on  
the sofa - in his room -



French & Colchicum

He took a broth & crackers - Andrew & Jimmy  
arrived by the 6.00 P.M. train, Apolline, Caro &  
Willie had gone, to the station, to meet them.  
He went back, to his bed, at 1/2 past 6.00 -  
felt comfortable, & happy, to lie, in his bed -  
I hope & trust, he will, sleep, to-night -  
at 9.00 P.M. - I gave him a dessert-spoonful  
of French, Colchicum - I sit up to-night -  
M. le Curé, gone to St. Alexandre - returns to-morrow -

Andrew, Apolline & Jimmy left -  
evicted -

Green-bow  
peace - to-day

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April - a lovely morning - He was  
very restless, a part of the night, he got, a  
little sleep, towards morning - at 1/2 past 11.00 A.M.  
he got up, & walked on crutches to the sofa -  
remained there, till, past 6.00 P.M. - he took  
a bit, of beefsteak for his dinner, & a  
dessert-spoonful of brandy, in a little cold water.  
One, of his knees, is still painful - his humor  
quite, on the mend - Andrew, Apolline & Jimmy  
left this morning, by the 9.00 A.M. Train, Caro  
& Willie walked there - This afternoon, the  
sky has become overcast, it looks rain -  
South-wind - Since yesterday, I have been  
busy with Nadeau, putting away, the winter  
garments, no more in use - As well, as  
the furs, to make them, secure, from moths -  
I have a fearful head-ache - Caro wrote a long



letter, to Miss Symes to-day - in answer, to one, received from  
her, some time ago - M<sup>r</sup> le Curé returned from  
St Alexander - This afternoon - the newspapers - give  
a good account, of the inundation, in Giffin town  
in Montreal - & the height of the water, even, at  
Bonaventure station - much damaged, is feared,  
from the throwing of the ice -

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April rain all day - Henri passed rather  
a good night, although, he had no sleep - before mid-night  
to-day, he tasted his dinner, he eat a quail & dranche  
a little Champagne - he found, his Minerva Champagne  
to agree, with him, very well - Willie went to the  
Bay - Woods - fearful - Caro remained indoors  
all day - does not feel, very rugged to-day, rather  
weak & languid - she continues to take - a little  
tea - cup of milk & a teaspoonful of brandy - I hope  
it will strengthen her - Madame - sits up - to-night -  
I feel so thankful to see Henri so much better!  
I have a stupid head ache - this evening -  
M<sup>r</sup> le Curé - went to St Sébastien - this morning -  
to confess - the Irish -

Willie went to town

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April - heavy showers of rain, during the night -  
& it had continued, to pour, rain - all day - My poor Willie  
has a very wet disagreeable day of it in town, he left this  
morning at 7 o'clock, by the train, took in, all the fur coats, to



Henderson's - to keep them - for us - till Autumn - Henri  
passed - a good night - he slept, so much better, than  
he has done, for some time - he got up, at 1/2 past  
10 o'clock - dressed - & with the aid, of his crutches, he  
went to Willie's room - where he remained, till the  
lunar, to retire - he eat a quail & chicken, champagne  
for his dinner - he feels better, although, his knee  
is still weak, & stiff - if, he could, walk, he could  
come downstairs - his bed-room - has had, a  
regular cleaning, since four weeks, it has not  
been swept or dusted, regularly - he finds his  
room - fresh & clean, comfortable - it had such  
a good airing - dear Caro, had had, a fearful  
headache, all day - - she took down, the store,  
in the sitting room - this southerly wind - is  
giving us, lots of rain - Willie & Frank arrived  
by the train -

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April - rain during the night, & pouring  
rain this morning, hail, also - it cleared up  
in the afternoon, the sun came out, lovely  
& bright - Henri continues to improve in  
health - he got up as usual - dressed - & went  
to spend the afternoon, in Willie's room -  
he eat partridge & to the better for his dinner -  
his supper, at 6 o'clock - is as usual - a lot  
of bread & milk - Clemence - who was garden-  
matade, last night, says, Henri, is better,



Well, until, he forced, to drink milk - after that, he  
tossed - & did not sleep - as well, as he <sup>had</sup> done before  
that - the drinking of milk - during the night,  
is not, necessary - I go back to my room  
altogether, this evening, he will, now, call me  
up, when, he requires, my thing, - Clemence  
has returned home - Willie went to town  
this morning & returned, by the B.A.C. train -  
Frodo, returned to his folks - what a lovely  
evening - I feel so thankful, to see them  
getting on, so nicely; he walked, in his room,  
on his crutches, to exercise, his poor legs -

Saturday 8th April - cold & windy frost last night -  
Heidi slept, pretty well, last night - woke - only  
now & then - I only got up twice - I had, a  
good sleep - it was very refreshing - a cloudy  
afternoon the sun, out now & then - Heidi  
got up, at his usual hour - 1/2 past 11 o'clock - in  
bed, in the arm-chair, in the passage - what  
he made his room, and aired it - Last evening, I  
received by the mail - a small box, containing -  
a small palm, sent me, by <sup>my</sup> dear friend Mrs Campbell -  
it is very beautiful; she received from home, &  
sent me, a part of it - how very kind of her;  
she knows how much I would appreciate, any  
thing of the kind - Heidi cut a bit of statue for  
his dinner - drank 1/2 a tumbler of Champagne - he says



it agrees, well, with him - my only fear, is, it hinders  
the gout, he gets on, but slowly, even on his crutches -  
if, he could, only walk; his knees, are weak - & his feet  
still painful at times -

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April - cold & cloudy, a great many people  
at church - Thom passed a good night - he had  
more sleep, than he had had, since some  
time, he is, so very much better, he almost  
dressed alone - required, but little help, being  
able, to make use, of his right hand, more  
freely - he took four for his dinner & a draught  
lettuce - found his stroke & feet, so very  
good - he says, he is, in hopes - of being able,  
to come downstairs, in a day or two - the weather,  
better, to-day - his knees, are less painful -  
poor Thom; he has, (as well as ourselves,) many  
reasons, to be thankful - to be, as well, as he is,  
after having been so ill; Caro is weak &  
languid - it makes me anxious - what  
is the reason, of this weakness? I went to  
Grand' Mère - she remained with her Father -  
and she went to supper - it looks like snow -  
Mr le Curé went on a sick-call, this afternoon -



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Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April - rain, all day - Henri does not feel, as well as yesterday - he feels gouty, his foot pains him - he has continued, to take - his gout pills, every night - he seems, to think, they are not, as efficacious, as they were - he speaks - of taking - frank colchicum, to - night - he got up, walked, to his arm - chair - to - his crutches - after some time, walked to Willie's room, to lie on the sofa - for a change - he took, some bitters, as a trick, he finds, they don't agree - I was sure, of that, he eat four - for his dinner - & fish at 6.0 c. - 11.0 - as he did, yesterday - he drinks, seltzer - he likes it - Caro, continues, to be weak & languid, although, she will not, own it - Willie went to the Hay, this afternoon - to ask Dr Wingham - to come up, to - morrow - I have a head - ache - Henri slept - pretty well last night - Henri took a blue pill to - night & no colchicum - pouring rain the whole blessed day & again this evening

blue pill

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April - a foggy morning - not cold - rain, during the night - early this morning, Henri took 8 grs rhubarb with 15 grs soda - he got up at 11.0 - walked to Willie's room - without his crutches - he says, his blue pill & rhubarb did him good - Dr Wingham came - finds Henri improving - says, all he wants, is fine warm weather & breathe fresh air - Henri says, he feels, a little gouty, still looking about him - he intends, to take a little colchicum to - night - I wrote to Mr Currier to - day - Caro walked out, this afternoon - it is much pleasant - I wish Henri, felt strong



enough to go downstairs; it is not, that he is weak - it is his gouty foot & knees, that prevents, his being able to walk - appearance of fine weather -

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April rain rain again - very windy & disagreeable - Henri breakfasted with coffee, this morning, it has not agreed with him - it did not lie on his stomach, as he expected, it has put out all day - since a few days, he takes, tonics - ~~Hotels~~ bitters - he fancies, they do him good - I have my doubts - about those bitters, I don't like them - he eat fowl & Mackerel ~~lettuce~~ for his dinner - to night at 6 o'clock - he intends to eat fish; last night, he took bread & milk, it did not seem, to ask, very well - he got up, at his usual hour - spent the afternoon in Willie's room - poor Caro is not yet, as well as I would like to see her - although, she is a shade stronger - What disagreeable weather!

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April cold & bright - Henri is not as well as he has been - he complains, of a pain, in his left shoulder - he can hardly move his arm - he has, again, become quite helpless - he got up, later, went in Willie's room, for a short time & returned to his own room - I went to church, this afternoon, when I returned, I found him in pain - he eat



Colchicum

pigeon a la crepandine for his dinner & made it to night  
he eat bread & milk - to night, he takes a large spoonful  
of french colchicum - I hope it may do him good, I am  
quite certain - he has a bad night before him -  
the Repossir, is very elegant, very beautiful - such  
a number of tapers! but savouring Brocade & Sauce, say  
the Stabat Mater - he le curé sang it, with them - They  
stood - at the rail - Caro, having remained, with her  
father, during my absence, was not there, to sing -  
how cold & chilly!

Colchicum

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April - Good Friday - dull & gloomy, damp  
disagreeable weather, N. E. wind - Henri passed a  
bad night - had no sleep - this morning after his  
breakfast - he dosed & this afternoon also - he  
eat bread & milk for his dinner - has been making  
a good deal of toast & butter - he kept his bed, all  
day, suffered all night, from his shoulder & suffers  
still - he is quite helpless - it is so sad - to see  
him, again, in such pain! God! grant, the  
Colchicum he takes, may give him, relief - he is  
looking so haggard, so worn - to day - Caro went  
to church twice to day - she is better, not  
quite so weak

Green gone to N. York

President  
Lewell  
Appointed  
at the Theatre  
by a man -  
named North  
Minister Leland  
& his son -  
also, an attempt  
to assassinate  
them -  
they will recover  
from their  
wounds -  
14<sup>th</sup> April 1865



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James, Annie, L. W. H. Henry, Apoline & Jimmy, Misses

Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> April - Cloudy & disagreeable all day -  
 Henri passed a bad night, very little sleep - I tossed  
 a good deal - looks fatigued & haggard, from the effects of  
 Colicium - his left arm - still very painful, & unable  
 to move it - he keeps his bed, since, Friday - he  
 suffers, from his shoulder, he is quite helpless, - what  
 a martyr! he eat bread & milk for his dinner -  
 the whole afternoon, felt, a malaise, which he  
 attributed to the milk - at 6.0.0 P.M. - he took a  
 cup of broth, with bread - he does not feel, at ease,  
 he is weak, when he lies any time, on his back, &  
 when he rises or turns, in his bed - he immediately, has  
 a great deal of flatulence & ~~restless~~ retching, which  
 ends, in his expectorating, a great deal of mucus - there are  
 moments, I feel anxious, about this - God! grant he may soon  
 rally, regain strength, above all things, may that awful,  
 treacherous goit leave him - he only gets a little sleep  
 towards morning - - This afternoon at 3/4, past 5.0.0  
 James, Annie, L. W. H. Henry, Apoline & Jimmy arrived - they  
 have come to spend Easter Sunday with us -  
 we found James, looking well - Willie was at Bedford  
 the whole afternoon, to attend the Council - a  
 great appearance of rain, this evening - Henri  
 takes a large spoonful of Colicium - again, this  
 evening - this is, his third dose - poor Henri!  
 he looks, so altered, so much in pain - from  
 that goitly shoulder - Cora, went to church, this  
 morning & walked out, this afternoon -



Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Jour de Pâques - Pouring rain, all day -  
then it snowed, rain & sleet! fearful weather  
what, quel triste Jour de Pâques, sans tout les rapports!  
Poor Henri, as usual, not much sleep, during the night,  
commenced, to have a little rest, at 3 a.m. - The  
Colicium, he took last night, does not seem, to have done  
him much good - his shoulder, is still painful, he cannot  
move it - remained in bed, all day - I feel so  
low & spiritless to-day! it is so sad, to see Henri  
in this state - & he does not seem to rally! I  
wish, he would allow me, to get medical advice  
again! I really feel anxious, at times - Saw  
Mum to grand'père - & I went to bedpost - Othman  
remained, as garde-malade - I was happy to go  
to church - at least, once to-day - the altar, was  
brilliant, beautiful, a lovely parure - such a  
superb salut! Advertiser, played the organ,  
as usual - delightfully - James drove to church  
in the cab - this evening at 6.0.0. - Henri  
took a bath, he had also, taken one, at 12.0.0. -  
Annie, Caro & Apolline, are in the library, enjoying  
a gay conversation - the gentlemen, are playing  
cub, in Mr. Curé's room - I have a  
head-ache - Henri, does not take any kind  
of medicine to-night - he drank some milk  
at 7.0.0. P.M. - it did not lie, properly on his  
stomach - he feels, very uncomfortable, he is  
restless - he regrets, having taken it - What a  
pity, he will not listen, sometimes!

Snow

Rain & sleet



Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> April - bright & fair, rather coolish - the lovely Sunshine, is renovating - Henri, was quieter, during the night, slept, this morning - he is looking better, lead colour, yellow, as if, his naughty liver, was, again, disturbing him - he took 15 grs Rhubarb combined, with 15 grs Magnesia, this morning, he says, he does not feel, much benefit, from it -

He got up at 7 a.m. 12 o'clock, sat in his chair - took his dinner, at 1 o'clock P.M. - he eat a pigeon & drank a little Champagne - at 2 o'clock he came to Willie's room - reclined on the sofa - I wish Dr Bingham would come! we expected him to luncheon, yesterday.

Henri this afternoon, felt, a slight paralytic, in his shoulder - he attributed it - to the Champagne - is it so?

This morning, all the St John's folks, left, by the train - Willie, has been very busy, all day - save to the exception, of having driven to the station, this morning, remained, indoors - this morning, Mr Le Cure unpacked - a superb statue of V. D. de Pitie, which he received from Montreal, last Saturday - it is a perfect fac-simile, to the one, they have at the Congregation.

I cannot, express, my happiness, at having, that beautiful statue, until, it is placed, in Church - I have it, quite near, the door, of Henri's room - It stands, in a corner, in the passage - Ah, notes V. D. de Pitie - finer your work! at 4 o'clock P.M. - I was much alarmed, to find Henri, looking, all at once, so ill & altered, he complained, of an uneasiness - I put him to bed - & Willie went off, for Dr Bingham, &

all the St John's folks, left  
Henri got up

La Statue de V. D. de Pitie

Dr Bingham sent for



Colonel -

Ash-leaves -

Blue pills -

never was alarmed - he was yellow, could not lie down, felt fearful nervous, & excited - I was so happy when the Dr arrived by the train, at 1/2 past 4 P.M. - he said, immediately, on seeing him, that his liver, was again, clogged, which caused all the evil - Near Willie had gone to the Bay, on horseback returned late, 9, or 10 - roads, awful - to night, Dr Bingham gives Henri Colonel - I am very anxious, these dreadful turns, wear him, so much - the Dr sleeps here -

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April - a fine morning, rain in the afternoon - Henri, as usual, had some sleep - towards morning, passed a quiet night, & otherwise - he is still, looking yellow, I find him altered - I feel anxious, that cough, those retchings - & other symptoms about him, make me, very miserable - He has taken to drinking, ash-leaves, in a decoction - the Dr went back, by the train, returns, to sleep here, to night - he says, Henri's liver, requires, a good, shaking - God! grant, he may soon, get better - I have a headache - Willie went to Bedford on business returned, for a late luncheon - roads - fearful - a strong wind from the South - Henri takes 2 blue pills to - night - blowing a perfect hurricane!



Green our gardener, returned from N. York  
with his family

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April - a bright sunshine, very windy, cold  
for the season - Henri passed a very bad night -  
coughed incessantly, a gouty cough, did not  
rest, an instant - I feel very anxious, he looks  
worse to-day, the 2 blue pills, he took last night,  
do not seem, to have done him, much good  
he is looking yellow - his liver, is yet, congested  
no doubt - It is not first time, getting better,  
I am very uneasy about him, the Dr says,  
he will soon get round, but I don't see  
that - I am alone, to say & find him, so ill!  
I am really anxious - he looks, bad, to-day!  
Dr Bingham went on his sickle calls - this morning  
& returns, this evening, by the train - last night  
it blew a perfect hurricane - it was awful!  
this morning, at 11 o'clock - Henri took one of his  
your pills - (broke a bottle at 2, o'clock) - continues  
to cough a great deal -

Willie went to town  
& returned

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April - a cold cloudy morning - Henri  
coughed a good deal during the night - he was nervous,  
excited, much put out, about, having taken, but  
one pill - he rested, <sup>for</sup> a few moments this morning -  
this morning Willie went to town by the train -  
this afternoon a regular snow storm, so cold,  
awful weather - Henri got up, dressed - sat, a  
part of the time in his arm chair, & when  
feeling tired, lounged on the sofa - he remained



A down storm  
up, till 7.00 P.M. - quite a happy change - Willie returned  
by the train at 6.00 P.M. - feeling very cold &  
uncomfortable, regretting, he had cards taken, his  
over-coat to wear in town, all the time - what  
weather! Dr. Bingham left by the 10.00 A.M. train  
the next came back by the 8.00 P.M. train -  
it is so kind of him, to come & sleep here  
every night - I do not feel well - the Dr. prescribes  
X 10 grs. Robert powder, for me, at bed-time -  
Vandean takes my place to - night - this  
evening Henri takes 2 gout pills - fresh ones,  
Willie brought - he took a booth at 7.00 P.M. -  
shortly after, it seemed, to disagree with him -  
he took, some hot camomile, it did him  
good - I hope he will have a good night's rest -

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April, a cold windy, cloudy, disagreeable,  
atmosphere - Henri much better, had some  
rest. The pills, proved efficacious - he is looking  
much better, I feel, so thankful for it - he  
took bread & milk at 12 P.M. - got up this  
afternoon, sat up for some time - his  
gouty pains - much abated - his gouty arm  
& wrist on the hand - the Dr. went to the bay -  
& returned by the train to sleep here - Willie went  
to St. Johns by the freight train, the idea,  
struck him, the must go to St. Johns to look after a  
case of mine, nipping - a case, from Loan's - Caro

Willie went to St. Johns



Caro, went to St. Armand Station

Constant rain &  
bad weather -  
a late spring

Went up to the Station at 5 o'clock P.M. - to await the arrival of the train, knowing, that her friend Blanche & family were to be on board, en route for N. York - She kept up, to see them & to accompany them, as far as St. Armand's - Willie was there, also - so she kept on, to that distance & enjoyed herself, so much - the McScannien's, happy & delighted to see her - When they parted, at the Station at St. Armand's - they expected to be back here, at 8 o'clock P.M. - by the usual train, on enquiring, they found, they would reach here, later, as the freight train had gone off, the track, at Rochersville, which, would cause, some delay, to the other train - Willie telegraphed, to say so - but, finally, they were not detained, very long - they got here at 9 o'clock P.M. - so happy & delighted with their little party - Mr. Bingham came with them - pouring rain to night - Henri takes, one good pill to night - He continues, much better -

Saturday 22<sup>d</sup> April - Rain rain again - it is really dreadful - What a wet season! Henri passed a tolerable good night - a feels a little weaker, this morning at 4 o'clock - he took a bottle - he took a cup of coffee - for his breakfast - a bottle at 12 o'clock with toast - he got up this afternoon, went to Willie's room for a little time - it has been pouring rain, all day, Caro remains



indoor - Dr Bingham returned by the train, he only comes  
back here, on Monday -

*Henri came downstairs!*  
Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April a disagreeable, cold, ~~badly~~ cloudy,  
autumnal day - threatening a snow-storm - fine  
in all the snow, like in December - Henri passed  
a pretty good night - took no pill, last night -  
I cannot say, how thankful I am, very poor  
Henri came downstairs, took luncheon with us -  
he eat, a bit of beef steak & a little bit of potatoe,  
for his dinner - at 6 o'clock arrow root made with  
milk - he is looking pale & thin - but feels  
much better - his left arm he can move, partially  
to-right, he intends, to take a good pill, for  
precaution - however, he is not decided, what he  
will do - I went to grand'messe - Philomene, is as  
garden malade, during that time - what disagreeable  
weather! I returned from church, this morning  
frozen - What a lingering spring!

*snow in the morning*  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April - a disagreeable, cold, cloudy day, snow  
in the morning - Henri slept last night, feels much  
better to-day, he got up & some downstairs, at the  
lunch hour - remained till 1/2 past 4 o'clock P.M. - he eat a  
little of the calf's head at 12 o'clock - at 6 o'clock P.M. - a few bites of beef -  
he says, he feels, the want, of feeding - he is looking pale  
a little, but, no doubt, he is looking, even, better, than,



Yesterday - God! grant he may continue, to improve in  
 health - Willie was away the whole morning, having  
 been named, by Coroner Chambliss, foreman of a  
 jury, sitting over, the body of poor Jourdumais, who  
 was drowned a month ago - his ~~body~~ corpse, was only  
 found, day before yesterday - the verdict returned, was  
accidental death! it is so ~~very~~ disagreeable,  
 November temperature - I have a cold, I cough  
 incessantly - it fatigues me - Corro walked out, returned  
 frozen - Green's hot-beds, are very fine -

Yesterday 25<sup>th</sup> April - a cool morning - a heavy frost - a  
 hard frost last night - ice in the ditches - Ann  
 continues to improve, gradually - he spent a good night,  
 took one of his pills last night - slept well - got  
 up at 11 A.M. - came downstairs, spent the  
 day, only went up to bed at 8 P.M. - he looks & feels  
 much better, he takes solid food & his digestion, seems good -  
 I walked out this afternoon - went to see the hot-beds -  
 they are very fine - the melon & cucumber plants are fine,  
 the tomatoes & potatoes are also doing well - the lettuce &  
 radishes are plentiful - I fear the plants of strawberries,  
 we got from N. York, the agriculteurs the trionphe de l'été,  
 will not strike root, they look, half dead - I fear  
 it is all over, they will not take root - a lovely sunshine  
 still, I am of opinion, we shall soon have rain -  
 Jimmy the Cloud & another man, have finished, painting the  
 blinds - they painted them, in two days!



Dr Bingham came by the train this evening, he remained  
till to-morrow - he finds Henri so much better -  
it was just gone, when Henri went to bed -

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April - a lovely day, pleasant temperature,  
the sun was out, beautiful & bright till about 4 o'clock,  
when the sky became overcast & threatens rain for to-morrow!  
I cannot express my joy of to-day, when I saw  
my poor Henri, get in the bath-chair, & M<sup>rs</sup> & Antoine,  
talking him about the grounds - he found it, so  
delightful, to breathe fresh air - it was so warm  
& pleasant, at the moment, he went out, he  
remained out, a full 1/2 hour - he went as far as the  
hot-beds - he had not been out - since the 28<sup>th</sup> February!  
I am so happy, he has been out - I am certain, it  
will do him good - & help that lax & sluggish liver,  
of his, to function better - Caro followed, the  
bath-chair - the trees are budding out - a  
few warm days, like to-day, are much needed -  
Dr Bingham returned by the train at 10 o'clock -

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April - charming weather, warm & pleasant, a  
little windy, still, delightful temperature - Henri slept well  
last night - he got up, this morning at 10 o'clock - feeling better -  
he seated himself in the window, awaiting the arrival, of  
the train (10 o'clock), as M<sup>rs</sup> & Caro were coming by that  
train - we heard the whistle, & shortly after, we saw them,



walking up the avenue - They have returned delighted  
with their needles - it was so funny, to see them,  
go off, like that, last night - after their dinner, they  
walked up, leisurely to the Station, waited there, for  
half an hour, when, the train, came by - they reached  
St John's at 8 a.m. - it was an agreeable surprise  
to the St John's folks! Henri took a hearty little dinner  
at 12, a.m. - he even, eat, some lettuce! I hope, it will not  
disagree with him - he would not take, any letter X  
to Mary, he says, it did not agree, with him, yesterday  
this afternoon, at 2, a.m. - he went out, in the bath-chair  
he went all about the grounds, he was out, an hour -  
it does him, so much good, to breathe fresh air! Caro  
walked out - Miss St Aubin, came to take luncheon,  
with her cure - returned home at 3 a.m. -  
I have a head-ache -

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April - a little rain during the night - a  
breeze, this morning, disagreeable, cloudy, & damp -  
Henri got up at his usual hour, some downstairs  
remained till evening, took an early dinner, at 12 a.m.,  
eat some lettuce, again - he liked it - I hope it will  
not disagree with him - poor Henri he is progressing  
gradually - I feel so thankful for it - he ruffled, his  
promenade, in the bath-chair, to-day, he regretted  
he could not go out - the weather, was not at  
all propitious, for him to venture out - he is so  
much better! Caro took a long walk, this afternoon -

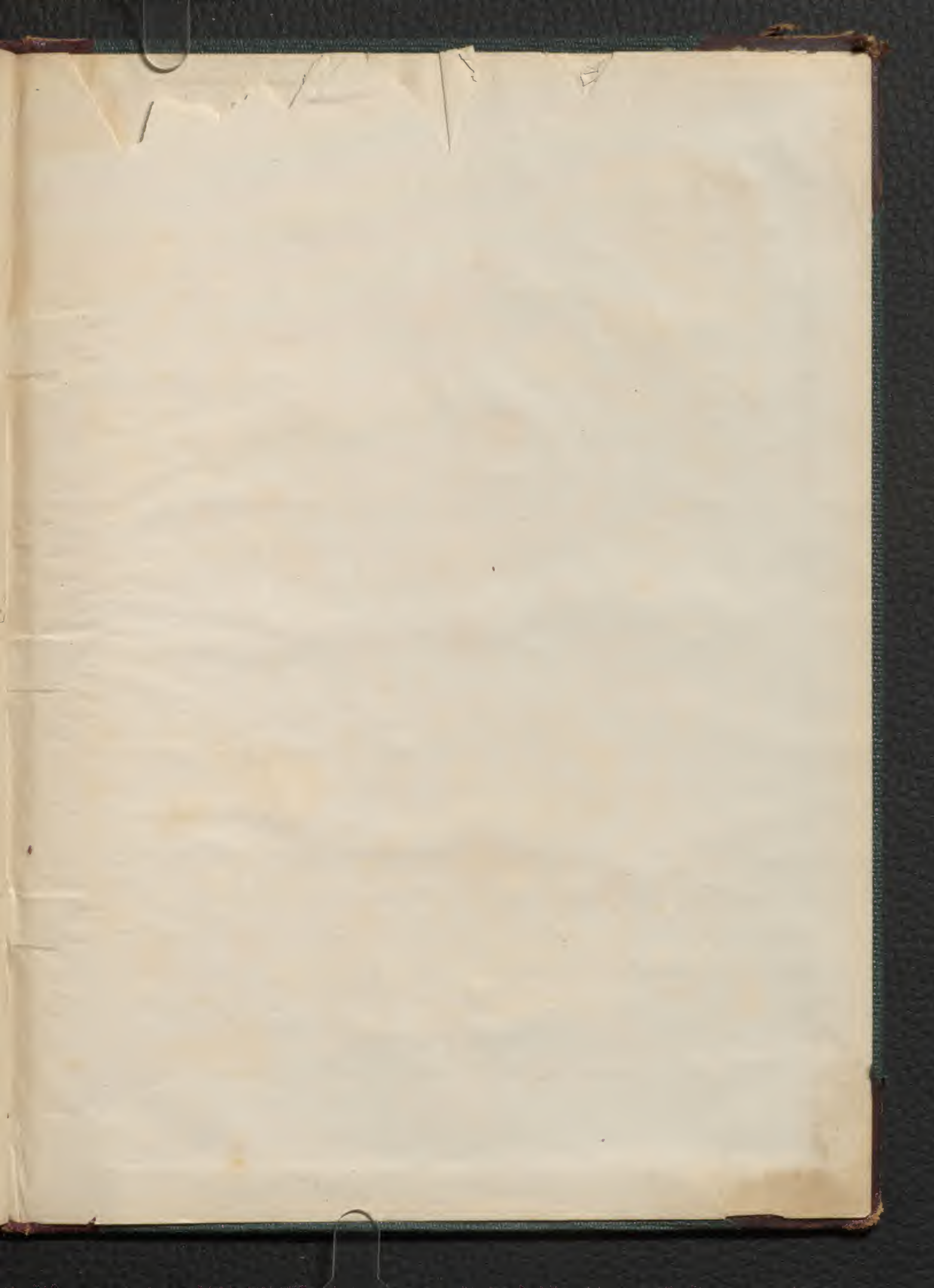


Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April - rain during the night Cloudy & threatening  
rain all day - not cold, but unpleasant & windy -  
Therri continues to improve slowly, his appetite, is  
good - he eat, very well at 12, v.e - he took Champagne  
at 2, v.e v.m - although the weather, was cloudy, unsettled,  
he insisted, on going out, he went in the bath-chair -  
he did not remain out, very long - he came  
in saying, the air, he had breathed, had done him  
good - I hope so, I am always, afraid, the least  
thing, may injure him - I cannot express, my  
humble thanks to Divine Providence, for, I would  
wonder & feel - how thankful, have we not, every reason  
to be, for the improvement of Therri's health -  
and again - for so many other graces, showered  
down upon us - in various ways; - what  
greater happiness, could I experience, than  
to see my dear Therri, go to his Communion  
this morning! he made his Easter Duty; as  
he would have been deprived, of receiving, yet,  
for a long time - being, so infirm, unable to  
move - a so much - *M. le Curé*, brought him  
the Holy Communion - this morning at 6, a.m.  
I had dressed, a nice little altar - next, to his bed -  
Willie, went, with a lighted taper, to the door -  
to receive, *M. le Curé*, on his entry, with the  
Host! and all the household, were kneeling,  
in the passage - I felt, so grateful, so  
happy, to see my poor Therri, looking so pious  
so happy! *M. le Curé*: je vous rends grâce de  
tout mon cœur! - Willie left this

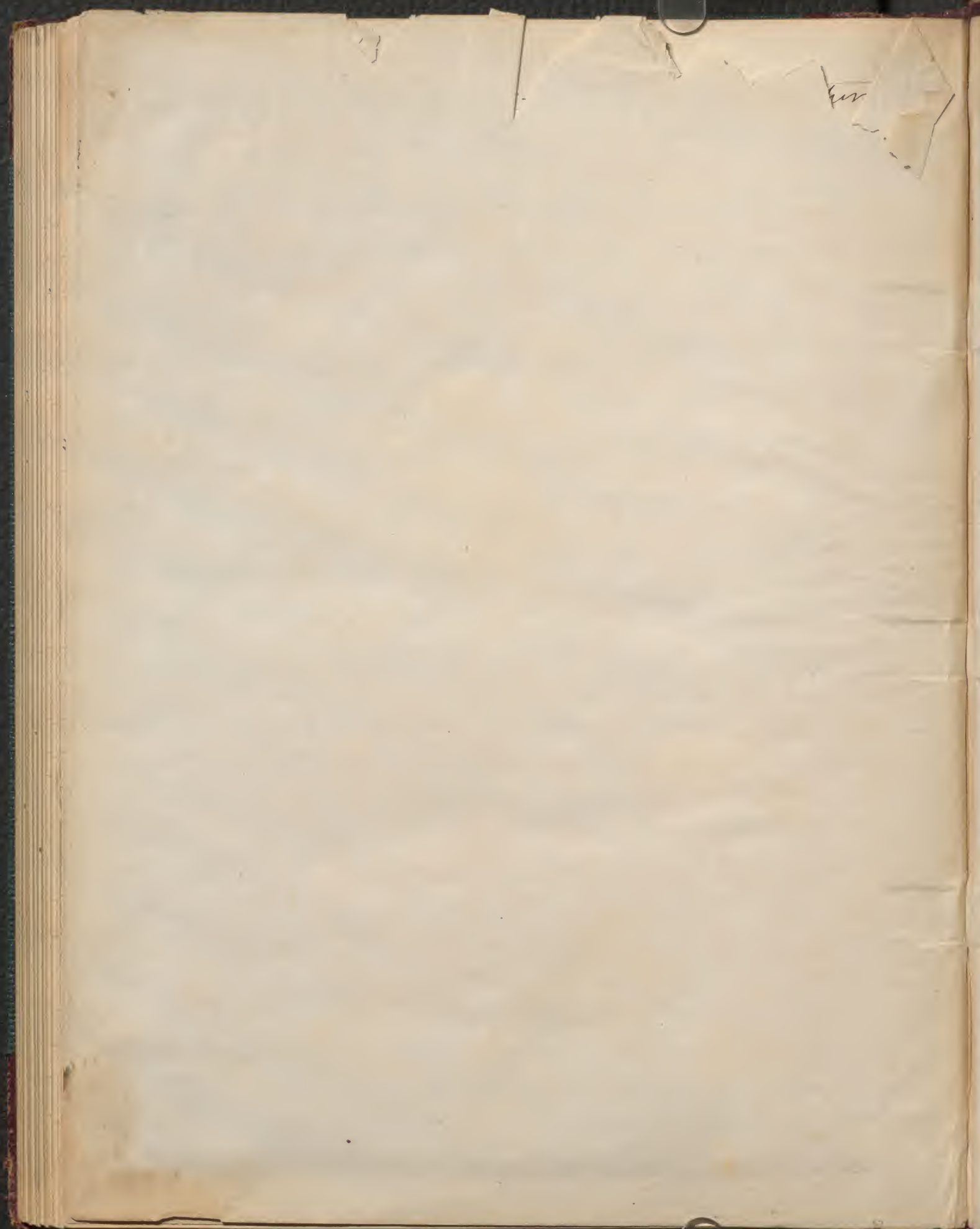


morning by the train - for 24 hours - returned  
this afternoon by the train - the beautiful  
magnificent, statue de Notre Dame de Pitié -  
was taken to church to-day - to-morrow - in the  
afternoon - will be the 'inauguration', of this  
precious, valuable statue - it is to remain  
veiled - untill, the ceremony - takes place -  
M<sup>r</sup> le curé expects - several Priests - to assist, at  
the ceremony - I regretted so much, to see  
it taken away - from the house - I took such  
delight, in saying my prayers, before this statue!  
I shall, only have to go to church - to pay my  
visit - - it is raining -











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